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Record Output Of British Yards Is Beating U-Boat War SCORES OF NEW FOOD-SHIPS

FROM OUR NAVAL CORRESPONDENT

NIGHT AND DAY THE SHIPBUILDERS OF BRITAIN ARE "AT THEIR TOIL AGAIN." AT TOP SPEED THESE SOLDIERS OF INDUSTRY ARE HELPING THE NAVY AND MERCHANT MARINE TO BREAK THE HEARTS OF HITLER AND HIS ADMIRALS. FOR THEY ARE BUILDING NEW SHIPS, BOTH NAVAL AND MERCANTILE, AT SUCH A RATE AS ALMOST TO COUNTER-BALANCE OUR TOTAL LOSSES BY U-BOAT AND BY MINE.

New Eire Threat TO JAIL I.R.A. REBELS

From Our Own Correspondent

Dublin, Saturday. POWER to intern suspects without trial and beyond challenge in the law courts will be among the proposals which the Eire Government will submit to a special meeting of the Dail in Dublin next Wednesday.

If they get their way, the de Valera Government will be able to deal with persons against whom there is more than suspicion but less than proof of association with I.R.A. activities.

Need for these drastic powers arises from the decision of the Dublin High Court on December 1, which resulted in the release of 55 internees from a concentration prison in Dublin.

Meanwhile 37 suspects are under arrest or on remand in connection with the raid on the magazine fort in Phoenix Park, Dublin, a week ago.

RADIO STATION SWOOP
As part of the intensive search for further suspects, members of the Special Branch of the Dublin C.I.D. raided a pirate radio station during a lightning raid on a house in Dartry-rd., Rathmines.

This station had been broadcasting three times a week on a 21-metre wavelength. It was being operated by an illegal organisation and had made several announcements when detectives swooped.

The announcer was concluding with the statement that they were closing down for a short period when listeners heard a noise resembling a scuffle and the station went dead.

Later, four men were remanded on a charge of possessing unlicensed transmitting apparatus.

They were James Byrne, a solicitor; John Plunkett; John McNella and James Morgan, a teacher.

28 TONS OF LOOT
The total amount of ammunition seized in the Phoenix Park raid is believed to be no less than 28 tons, roughly 125,000 rounds contained in 700 cases. So far only 200 rounds in 85 cases have been recovered.

Canals and rivers have been dragged and boats searched in harbours around the east coast of Eire—all in vain. The £1,000 reward for information remains unclaimed.

WHAT THE WAR IS COSTING

EXCHEQUER RETURNS ISSUED LAST NIGHT FOR THE FIRST THREE-QUARTERS OF FINANCIAL YEAR SHOW A TOTAL ORDINARY EXPENDITURE OF £858,835,463 AGAINST REVENUE OF £544,474,103. LEAVING A CURRENT DEFICIT OF £314,361,360.

The expenditure includes a total of £697,497,300 spent on the supply services out of the £1,183,711,000 estimated expenditure for the year.

Heavy expenditure on armed forces is largely met by borrowing, and issues under the Defence Loans, Acts so far total £326,162,000, compared with £17,000,000 in the corresponding period last year.

(See Page Nine for detailed figures.)

With the workers at full strength, the clangour of the yards never ceases. Replacement is being so speeded up as to break all records in shipbuilding history. In British shipyards today there are, in various stages of construction:

1,000,000 tons of naval vessels, and
1,500,000 tons of new merchant shipping.

Warships of all kinds—battleships, aircraft-carriers, cruisers, destroyers, submarines and small craft of special design—are included in the gigantic naval programme, and actual launchings average two a week.

The merchant shipping already laid down, much of it fast hearing completion, includes liners as well as scores of big cargo-cum-passenger ships, tramps of all sizes, and large numbers of coastal vessels and trawlers.

Germany's utmost ruthlessness at sea—and her "sink at sight" campaign is costly to the Nazis as well as to us—has resulted in an insignificant net loss of British tonnage.

Since the war began the enemy has sunk 440,000 tons of our merchant shipping, and we have already made good nearly 400,000 tons of this total by building, by purchase from other flags, and by capture of German vessels!

KEEPING OUR SHIPS AT SEA

These figures are the more encouraging when it is remembered that we, unlike the Germans, are keeping our ships at sea. Our shipping is constantly open to attack, but 99 out of every 100 of our merchantmen bring their cargoes safely to port.

Allowing for the net loss of 40,000 tons which we have sustained, we still have more than 6,600 ships with a total tonnage of 17,800,000 registered under the British flag.

And that is only one side of the heartening record of the war at sea. For the Germans have lost more than 100,000 tons of their own shipping by scuttling alone, to say nothing of loss by capture and accident.

Moreover, three-quarters of Germany's merchant shipping have been lying idle at ruinous cost in neutral ports, and must continue to do so, or run the gauntlet of our men-of-war in the tortuous hope of reaching home ports and lying idle there.

GERMAN BOATS

ALREADY DOOMED

If, as is now reported, these German cargo boats and liners have been ordered to make the perilous dash for home, it can only be because the Nazis are hard put to it to find the foreign currency necessary to maintain them in alien harbours.

And many of them are doomed to capture or to "suicide."

In the air, too, Britain has taken a dominant position. Our production of planes, both fighters and bombers, is now far in excess of German output.

And they are better planes than Goering's latest Messerschmitts, better even than our own Spitfires and Hurricanes.

NEW YEAR
GREETINGS
AND THE SAME
TO ALL OUR
READERS



New Call To Colours

MAY INCLUDE 28-29 CLASS

MEN UP TO TWENTY-THREE WHO WERE REGISTERED ON DECEMBER 9 WILL PROBABLY BE CALLED UP FOR SERVICE EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR.

"The People" understands that a new system of registration will shortly be made.

Under it, a general proclamation will summon for registration all men in the earlier age groups according as they are needed.

It is believed that men up to the age of 29 will in due course be called up.

By the new arrangement the registration dates under the general proclamation will be announced by the Ministry of Labour at intervals.

The last registration was on December 9, when men between 20 and 23 had to report.

Two classes—20-21 and 20-22—had been previously registered.

More than 650,000 men were involved in the three previous registrations.

It is stated that it is now probable men will be called up in more than one age group at a time.

They Arrived Yesterday

It's Good News

But It's—

Censored

Till Tomorrow

REDS REFUSE "JOSEPH STALIN"

Amsterdam, Saturday.

THE 9,000-ton cargo boat Joseph Stalin, which has just been built for Soviet Russia by a Dutch firm at Saandam, made its trial trip today. When it was over, the Russian representatives, for reasons unknown, refused to take delivery of it.

Half of the total price has already been paid by Russia.—Reuter.

RED TROOPS' REVOLT MAY GROW

THE reported revolt among Soviet troops in the Salla sector, Finland, is only one indication of the lack of discipline which prevails in the Red armies. One account which has come to my notice, writes Reuter's military correspondent, concerns conditions which existed in a division during recent manoeuvres. It speaks of general slackness on the part of the troops and lack of authority by officers.

Other reports which I have seen, all based on personal observation, emphasised the prevailing slackness in the Red armies. Rules and regulations are continually ignored.

Every now and then picked officers are introduced to establish efficiency, but after a while they lapse, and there is no further improvement.

Under such conditions, the revolt, at present confined to the Salla sector,

may easily spread to the Karelian Isthmus or to the Petsamo front.

Even the Siberian troops, who are reported to have been transferred from Manchuria because of their familiarity with severe weather may soon become affected if they are not properly fed and disciplined.

Their ways and customs are not those of the Leningrad army, and they will probably dislike the change.

Bombed Fishermen

R.A.F. Out To Avenge Nazi Murders

By Our Air Correspondent

A WAVE of disgust has spread through the R.A.F. at the bombing by Nazi planes of British fishing-smacks and the machine-gunning of their defenceless crews. Our airmen are determined that these murders shall be avenged.

Hitherto British flying officers were prepared to look on their German opposite numbers as chivalrous opponents—as the Knights of the Air that the German pilots usually were in the last war.

But Nazi-ism, just as it has tarnished everything else, has tarnished the honour of the Luftwaffe.

And, before it has been finished with the German Air Force may learn to regret the depths to which they have now stooped.

British flying boats are on permanent patrol in the North Sea.

Little mercy will be shown to any Nazi planes that try to repeat their murdering expeditions.

FINNS 53 MILES INSIDE RUSSIA

Helsinki, Saturday.

FINNISH ski patrols which have penetrated Soviet territory and harassed enemy communications on the Salla front, north of Finland's so-called "waist," are reported tonight to have been operating near the town of Kandalaksja, 53 miles on the Russian side of the frontier.

The patrols, each composed of between 100 and 200 white-cloaked men, have cut the railway from Murmansk to Leningrad at several points, according to reports reaching here from Rovaniemi, headquarters of the Finnish Northern Army.

This railway is the "life-line" of the Soviet forces in the north. Along it all men, arms and provisions for the Red troops must pass.

In these lonely wastes, with the temperature 50 degrees below zero, the repairing of the line will be a difficult task.—Reuter.

(See also Back Page.)

HITLER WARNS GERMANY

"Our Hardest Battle Is For Existence"

Berlin, Saturday.

THE HARDEST BATTLE FOR EXISTENCE OR NON-EXISTENCE OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE LIES BEFORE US, SAYS HITLER IN HIS NEW YEAR PROCLAMATION TO THE GERMAN ARMED FORCES.

To the Nazi Party he says: "Everything which will be demanded in the way of sacrifices cannot be compared with that which the entire nation has at stake, and is not comparable to the fate which threatens her should the mendacious criminals of Versailles again come to power."

He expressed his own and the people's "proud confidence in the Army. With such soldiers Germany must be victorious."

Referring to the invasion of Poland—"a war forced on us," he calls it—Hitler says: "An injustice of Versailles was removed."

At the end of this historic year we remember those comrades who died with their blood their loyalty to the people and the country.

"In the coming year we ask the Almighty, who in the past year took us under His protection to give us His blessing again and to strengthen us in the performance of our duty."

For before us lies the hardest battle for the existence or extinction of the German people.

In another proclamation to the Nazi Party Hitler declares that Germany faces "the most decisive year in her history," and will emerge victorious from the war forced on her by "Jewish reactionary warmongers."

"CONSTANT THREATS"

Hitler goes on to state that Germany's war aim is the freeing of Germany and Europe from the constant threats which have their origin in past and present-day Britain. "The weapons must this time be definitely struck from the hands of the warmongers."

"We fight, therefore, not only against the injustices of Versailles, but to prevent the even greater injustice which is intended to replace it."

"Through the publication of the documents giving the history leading up to the German-Polish conflict it is proved that the responsible warmongers in England not only rejected a peaceful solution of German-Polish problems but did everything possible through Poland to abuse the German Reich."

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DUCE TO SEE POPE, TALK OF PEACE

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

ALTHOUGH the Rome newspaper "Messaggero" says that the announcement of Signor Mussolini's visit to the Pope may prove premature, high officials of the Vatican yesterday confirmed the original Vatican announcement that the visit will take place.

They say, however, that the date may be changed from January 4, as first stated, to a later date, probably January 9.

Proposals from the Pope to end the war are expected soon.

He has discussed the matter with several of his leading Cardinals, with the ambassadorial representatives of several countries at the Vatican, and with the King of Italy.

Signor Mussolini will discuss the matter with the Pope when they meet.

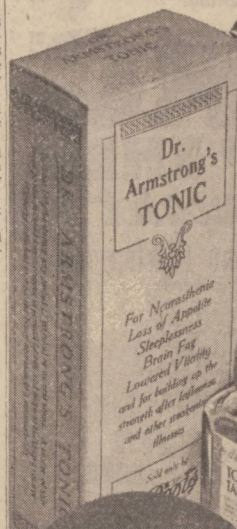
Hitler is not pleased with the proposal, and has instructed the Papal Nuncio at Berlin to tell the Pope that he will not stand any interference with political or diplomatic affairs.

It is known that the Duce is eager to support the Pope in any action he may take, for he dreams an early extension of the war into the Balkans, where Germany and Russia have ambitions that clash with Italy's own.

But Hitler and Stalin are not likely to pay much heed to the Pope's proposals, so not too much hope should be built upon them.

TODAY'S RADIO
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CROSSWORDS
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You May Not Agree That— THIS "CONCHIE" HAS A CASE

By "THE PHILOSOPHER"

I TOLD YOU I SHOULD RECEIVE LETTERS DEALING WITH MY SUPPORT OF THE CLAIMS OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS TO APPEAL AGAINST WAR SERVICE. ONE OF THEM IS FROM WILLIAM JONES, AS WE SHALL CALL HIM.

Bill welcomes me to the hand-clasp and says he over to the wisdom of allowing violence to do its worst. Bill wrote at great length the idiotic conditions that war entails—sorrow, sufferings, poverty, profits—all avoidable, he contends.

He gets in many a blow at this and that; he scoffs at the heroics of aged statesmen who urge on their country's youth to death and mutilation.

He mocks at "equality of sacrifice" which grants a weekly three shillings to a soldier's child, while Whitehall officials snaffle jobs for wives and relatives.

It would be interesting, he writes, to discover the destination of that six millions a day, how much is going to a few, and relatively how little to the many.

WILLIAM JONES WAS PARTICULARLY HARD ON "THE HYPOCRISY OF WAR" THAT MAKES YOU KILL OFF YOUR FELLOW MEN AND THEN DISPATCH A CREMONIAL SQUAD TO GOOSESTEP AT THEIR FUNERAL.

There is, he believes, enough anguish in the world, without people making more of it by silly wars that get the nations nowhere.

For these reasons, he argues, he will remain a conscientious objector. He is sure that Christ is against this insane squandering of life, and he means to obey Him.

As I say, he considers that, because I backed the view that consciences should count, I am out for peace at any price.

So it is my purpose here to put him right.

fold, gives me a brotherly always knew I should come

LET ME say to William Jones, conscientious objector, that I endorse all his complaints regarding the regrettable circumstances of war.

No one more than I realises the sufferings, the evils of abnormal human relationships, the unfair spreading of goods and sacrifices that are the accompaniments of war.

But his main idea of passiveness I can never sanction. I can never see how the British nation could continue to lie down to the murders, lies and brutality of the Nazi regime.

They would be failing in a Christian duty.

SO I MUST TELL MY FRIEND WITH THE OBJECTIONS THAT I CAN JOIN NO PEACE FLEECE UNION SINCE MY OPINION IS, THAT THE NAZI MENACE MUST BE FACED. JUST AS A MAD DOG NEEDS THE GUN, SO DOES HITLERISM.

I admit that many avoidable evils of war arise from simple human selfishness and folly on the home front.

WE MUST ERADICATE THESE SEEDS OF DISUNITY, NOT BY LYING DOWN TO HITLERISM, BUT BY LOOKING TO OUR OWN INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Mr. Jones believes in not fighting at all. I believe in a fight for the right in which no one has an eye to the main chance.

All the same, I still allow Mr. Jones the right to follow his own conscientious convictions. I shall never bring myself to cast the first stone.

AS Hansen Swaffers SEES IT

I CAN, with considerable hopefulness, wish you all that, before 1940 is ended, peace will have come—that is, unless Russia's new-born imperialism so threatens Europe that hostilities spread.

I give it a year at the most," said a friend on Christmas Day.

He, until recently, lived in Germany, where he had been on such terms with his workmen that, although he is an Englishman, they tried to make him fuhrer of his factory, a leader of the kind appointed under Nazidom for every factory and business.

Although an anti-Nazi, he went so far as to attend their meetings, to which they invited him with such politeness that he could not refuse.

His many contacts forced him to agree with German refugees I know—that, underneath the facade of Nazidom, there is something disquieting.

"I would willingly live on a bare pittance if I could say and think what I like," said the Customs official who saw him over the frontier.

THEN there is the evidence that, no doubt because of the limitation material used in machine-making, the railway system is in a dangerous state, that German planes have not done what was expected of them, and that there is already a shortage of essential supplies.

You must understand that dictatorship depends on success. Democracy, discovering the blunders of a government, can elect a new one without disturbance. But the moment a bossed community realises that a leader they considered divinely appointed is only human, and that he has blundered grievously, there is either revolt or collapse. Then anything may happen.

That "anything" is foretold by experts for this year.

Yet we have planned a three-years war and we must get on with it. Our man-power, as yet badly organised and much of it unused, must be coordinated for even greater effort. If this is done the year in front of us may have its disasters—it certainly will have its shocks—but the result of our resolution should be victory of a kind on which European peace can be built.

Stalin Throws In A Spanner

STILL, Stalin has endangered that. And so it is that certain British people on the Right are beginning to whisper that it would be better to agree that Goering should be allowed to lead the German people, in Hitler's place.

Furtively, but so that you can hear, they talk about supporting him against Hitler.

The more daring ones actually speak of a time, not far distant, when we shall be on Germany's side against Russia! That, indeed, would mean world calamity.

Our war aims must be a peace settlement and the establishment in Germany of a Government whose word can be relied on, and who no longer has aggressiveness in its soul. Goering, although the best of the Nazis, is of the dominant type.

WELL-MEANING, but ill-informed, Pacifists still go on talking of a settlement.

"If Britain could only be the first nation to admit that it had done something wrong," declares my friend Sybil Thorndike, it would not be too late even now to say to Hitler, 'Let us get together in a decent way'."

Neville Chamberlain did that in September, 1938.

Neville Henderson, our Ambassador in Berlin did that, time after time, right up till the outbreak of war. His White Paper, which explains at length, all those negotiations, proves that Hitler is a man with whom you cannot argue and with whom you cannot deal.

It is proof that he contains, in his extraordinary being, not only megalomania, but self-delusions that must be destroyed, not argued with.

You cannot sup with the Devil, for no spoon is long enough....

THE Finnish Minister spent a tortured Christmas part of it in his home in Bryanston-sq. with his family, but mostly surrounded by diplomatic papers in his Legation in Smith-sq. under the



JOAN COLE

shadow of the tower of the House of Lords.

Twice a day his staff tried to listen-in to the wireless broadcast from a Helsinki that, all through Christmas Day, was bombed by Russian planes.

Most of the news was jammed by a machine in Moscow, but every now and then, a word came through, telling of calamity and disaster.

And all the time it was the Minister's job to try to induce Britain to help with sandbags, and there was on the notice board inside a guide to the nearest shelter in Wood-st.

Yet in Helsinki, far away, the preparations were far less adequate.

Romance Of A Principal Boy

THEATRICALLY, it has been a strange Christmas. There is no "Charley's Aunt" this year. There is no "Peter Pan."

Central London has only one pantomime, and "Where the Rainbow Ends," produced for the 29th year, is the only usual Yuletide offering.

At the Coliseum, "Cinderella" has a really beautiful principal girl in the person of Joan Cole, and a principal boy who is one of the best seen in recent years.

She is Patricia Burke, whom I knew as a small girl even before her father, Tom Burke, had earned fame in a night by appearing on the London stage for the first time in Caruso's part in "La Boheme," with Melba as Mimi and the King and Queen in the Royal Box, for it was Opera's reopening after the war.

Soon after, her mother, Marie Burke, who was appearing for the first time on any stage, made a big reputation in "Afghan," even rivalling Delysia, who was the leading lady.

Most Popular In New York

THE star of the Christmas season, however, seems to be Beatrice Lillie.

For years she has had much greater success on Broadway, where the sophisticated hall her as a genius, that she has enjoyed in London, where her last two stage appearances have been in comparative failures. Now, in the revue "All Clear," she will draw the Town.

Bea, as everyone calls her, is in her private life a most charming woman, so everyone is delighted. She is Lady Peel, the widow of a descendant of the great Sir Robert, but she never throws it

AMUSEMENT GUIDE

THEATRES		THEATRES	
APOLLO. Ger. 2802. 8.30. Wed. Sat. 2.30.	"YOU OF ALL PEOPLE."	ST. JAMES' (W. 2802.) Evns. 8.30. Wed. Sat. 2.30.	LADIES IN RETIREMENT. London's only Thriller.
Leslie Banks, Margaret Rawlings, Lilli Palmer.		STAND. (Tom. 2860.) Evns. 8.40. Th. Sat. 2.30.	ROBERTSON HARE, ALFRED DRAYTON, in
Leslie Banks, Margaret Rawlings, Lilli Palmer.		SPOTTED DICK, by Ben Travers.	
COLISEUM. Charing X. Twice Daily, 2 and 7.		WHITEHALL. (W. 2802.) 8.30. Wed. Sat. 2.30.	"WHY TAKE THE RISK?" A New Musical.
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"THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST."			
L'ERIC. Ger. 3626. 6.0 & 8.30. Thurs. Sat. 2.30.			
Will Hay—SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND.			
with Claude Hulbert & Marie Lohr.			
PALACE. (Ger. 2834.) Evns. 8. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.15.			
JACK HULBERT and GIGLEY COURTNEY.			
UNDER YOUR HAT.			
2/6 to 10/6. (330 seats at 2/6 unreserved.)			
PHOENIX. (Tom. 2811.) 9.30. Wed. Th. Sat. 2.30.			
Edna May. 1/6 to 4/6.			
PRINCE. (Tom. 2836.) Twice Daily.			
2.30 & 8.0. SHEPHERD'S PIE. Song & Laugh Show.			
SYDNEY. 10.15. 8.10. 10.15. 11.0.			
PEARCE RICHARD HEARNE and All Star Cast.			
"London's Best War-time Show." Daily Express.			
QUEEN'S. Ger. 412. Twice Nightly. 8.15 & 9.0.			
Reunited Lillie Bobby Hovens. Fred Knott in			
"ALL CLEAR." A Revue, with Adele Dixon.			
SAVILE. Tues. 8.0. Weds. 8.0. Thurs. 2.30.			
Diana Wynyard. Anton Walbrook. Rex Harrison.			
DESIGN FOR LIVING. 1/6 to 6/6. All Bookable.			

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At the winding-up of the old year and in 1940 too

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DARE-DEVIL DENTIST

GENERAL FREYBERG

was one of the most romantic figures of the last war. He was the first British soldier to land at Gallipoli when, with his body painted black, he swam for two miles from a destroyer to the shore. But it was in France that he was awarded the V.C. for "most conspicuous bravery" in leading a battalion of the Royal Naval Division to the capture of a village on the Western Front. Now, as Major-General Bernard Freyberg, he is leader of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

V.C.

then First Lord of the Admiralty, in Whitehall, and boldly asked for a commission.

They say you can tell a fighting man at a glance. There is something in the set of their shoulders, the glint in their eyes, and the line of their chins.

Viscount Gort has it. So, too, has Churchill; and, regarding this stalwart young New Zealander who had so unceremoniously accosted him, he saw the unmistakable stamp.

He nodded and smiled.

"Very well, young man," he said, "you shall have your commission."

And so it was that the gallant soldier who is to lead the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in this war entered the service.

He joined as a lieutenant in the R.N.V.R., but his outstanding ability and keenness won him rapid promotion. He was soon in command of a division, and by the time he was twenty-seven he had risen to the rank of brigadier-general.

WOUNDED ON

NINE OCCASIONS

NINE times wounded, six times mentioned in despatches, awarded the Victoria Cross and the Distinguished Service Order with two bars—that, in the bald language of the official records, is Bernard Freyberg's war-time history.

Behind it lies an inspiring story, the story of a man whose conspicuous bravery and brilliant leadership made him one of the outstanding figures of 1914-18.

The dare-devil dentist—"Tiny" Freyberg—threw his lot in the Service because of his impressive physique—won his V.C. during the closing stages of the Battle of the Somme in November, 1916.

It was solely due to his heroism that the German line was broken. He was wounded four times in the forty-eight hours' engagement, but with dogged pluck he refused to quit, so inspiring his men by his own gallant example that they drove a wedge clean through the German front-line trenches.

"Tiny" Freyberg, sword in one hand and revolver in the other, was in the thick of the battle, fighting like a tiger alongside his men. Next morning it was he who led the charge through a withering barrage of fire on the village of Beaucourt.

A strong force of Germans held the village, but Freyberg and his men—he was then in command of the Hood Battalion of the Royal Naval Division—took it by storm and captured 500 prisoners.

The young officer was badly wounded in the hand-to-hand fighting—this was the fourth time in two days that he had been hit, and he was weak from loss of blood—but he insisted on seeing his battalion safely established in their newly-won position before he allowed the stretcher-bearers to take him to a hospital base.

The feat for which he was awarded the D.S.O. was even more spectacular. It occurred the year before his V.C. exploit, when "Tiny" Freyberg took his life in his hands at Gallipoli to fool the Turks with a daring trick that must have saved thousands of British casualties.

He volunteered to swim ashore from a destroyer two miles out and light flares on the beach in the occupation of the enemy to delude them into imagining that the British troops were attempting a landing.

PAINTED AND

IN THE NUDE

IT would be difficult to imagine a more perilous mission. The chances of returning alive were about one in a hundred, yet "Tiny" Freyberg was laughing and joking as he plunged under the side to begin his long swim ashore through the ice-cold sea.

He was naked and painted black from head to toe to avoid detection in the darkness, and with him he carried a waterproof bag containing calcium lights and oil flares with which he was to deceive the enemy.

His only weapons were a long knife and a revolver.

Major-General Freyberg is a magnificent swimmer—since the war he has made two attempts to swim the Channel which were foiled only by old leg wounds troubling him—and he landed on the beach an hour and a quarter after leaving the destroyer.

He wriggled through the bushes on his stomach, passing so close to the enemy outposts that he could hear the guards talking, set his flares, lit them and then plunged into the sea again.

Bullets plopped around his head as he swam; but, ignoring the flares, he went from point to point along the coastline, landing and lighting his flares to add to the enemy's confusion.

It was a bitterly cold night, and each time he left the water he had to crawl some distance inland towards the Turkish trenches. Towards the end he was seized with violent cramps as the result of his long exposure and it seemed that after dodging the enemy for so long he would, after all, have to pay for his daring with his life.

Behind him in the darkness he could hear the shouts of his pursuers as they



GENERAL FREYBERG, V.C.

searched and fired random shots in the hope of hitting him.

To remain meant discovery and certain death, and so, in spite of his agony, he was forced to plunge once again into the icy sea. He swam straight ahead, knowing full well that his chances of regaining the destroyer were slender.

For nearly two hours he swam to and fro until at last he heard the splash of oars close by—and what welcome music that must have been to his ears—and the shape of a cutter manned by his own men loomed up.

A few minutes later, swathed in blankets, he was draining a double tot of rum and joking light-heartedly.

There were few more spectacular and more valuable deeds of daring in the last war than this midnight swim in the Dardanelles.

"Tiny" Freyberg's bravery that night, his utter disregard for his own safety, saved thousands of lives.

Alone he completely fooled the enemy, so that the next morning, when the British attack was launched, the Turkish reserves remained near Bulair while our troops were landing at the other end of the Peninsula.

ONE FEAT

AFTER ANOTHER

ALTHOUGH it did not bring him his highest honour it was undoubtedly his greatest feat, and the one for which he is most often remembered.

Major-General Freyberg in later stages of the war won two bars to the D.S.O. he was awarded for his heroism at Gallipoli, one for saving a bridge at Lessines, and another for a dare-devil exploit towards the end of the struggle similar to that for which he received his V.C.

On this second occasion he led a little band of nine men in a charge on a village held by more than a hundred Germans.

Only a soldier of "Tiny" Freyberg's daring would have had the nerve to launch an attack in the face of such overwhelming odds.

There was no question of his men

hanging back. They would have followed him into the very mouth of hell had he called upon them to do so, for this tall, stern-countenanced hero is a born leader of men.

So, with him at their head, they charged, and not only took the village, but rounded up more than a hundred of its defenders!

Since the war Major-General Freyberg has, despite his nine wounds, made two gallant attempts to conquer the Channel.

MAGNIFICENT

PHYSICAL FITNESS

FOURTEEN years ago he was taken from the water in a state of complete exhaustion within a few hundred yards of the English coast. He had then been in the water for 17 hours, and would probably have got across if he had not, towards the end of his attempt, turned and swum for a time in the wrong direction.

At that time the newspapers, hailing this fresh display of pluck and endurance on the part of the hero of Gallipoli and Beaucourt, dubbed him the "V-Sea Colonel."

Part of his training for this Channel attempt consisted in walking from Windsor, where he was at that time stationed with the Grenadier Guards, to London for lunch, and then walking back again in the afternoon.

He has always taken pride in his magnificent physical fitness, and when the occasion demands he can be as blunt and outspoken as he is tough and hard.

Characteristic of this was the attack he once launched on a certain type of war book when he was guest of honour at a big public dinner.

"There is a flood of war books at

LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

"WELCOME, NEW YEAR!"

By the People's Friend

And the bells that herald the New Year up and down the land will ring out a warm welcome—warmer than ever before. For who among us does not look to it to bring an answer to our prayers and hopes?

What will it bring, I wonder, this new year upon the threshold of which we now stand?

Peace? A return to those things of which 1939 so rudely robbed us—freedom from care, reunion with our loved ones, the ordered way of life and all it means?

That is so much it can hold, so many bright promises it may, perhaps, fulfil.

THAT is why we should embrace upon it with all the faith and courage we can muster. There are no days for faint-hearted pessimism, for weeping and wailing and dismal forebodings.

Leaner times may lie ahead. We may be called upon to make even greater sacrifices, to accept still more burdens; but that doesn't mean we have to spend our time grumbling and sighing.

Think instead that each fresh effort brings us a little closer to the peace we so desire, and that each day in the New Year brings us nearer the victory that must be ours.

Then—use you know, to be a custom in Germany that on the first day in a new year the hatchet should be buried and all old feuds forgotten. Folk who had been estranged for months forgot their differences and came together in friendship and good will. Everything bitter and ugly died, and only sweetness was remembered.

I WONDER what has happened to that old custom, now that Hitler and his fellow gangsters are in power?

But here, at least, the same spirit reigns, and we can face the future with undaunted hearts, strengthened by the message in the words with which our King ended his Christmas broadcast:

"And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'"

DOES THE WAR WORRY YOUR FEET?



Do your feet feel as though the life is being slowly squeezed out of them? Is war-time walking raising up a host of horny callouses and burning corns that make every step a torture? Stale foot acid is the trouble. It blocks up the pores of tired feet, piles up in the muscles, turns your feet swelling and hardening. You've got to shift that acid or go on suffering. This is the modern method—just a dash of Radox in warm water with a handful of Radox added. Radox liberates 5 times as much oxygen as other bath salts. This life-giving oxygen supercharges the water, cleans out clogged pores, lets crippling acid get away. Swellings go down. Tired, burning, acid feet are eased and comforted. Even chemist sells Radox, 1/6 per 10 oz. pink packet, 2/6 double quantity. Also in cubes, 3 for 7/6.

RADOX 10 oz. Pink Packet 1/6

RHEUMATISM

"Every limb absolutely locked"

The following letter received from Mr. J. G. J. of Darwen, Lancs., is so amazing that we print it without comment for the benefit of all rheumatic sufferers:

"I was in a terrible state of rheumatism for nine months, laid up in bed, could not straighten a limb, and had to be moved from one side of the bed to the other. Every limb was absolutely locked. I thought I should never get over it."

"One day, when my Insurance man called, my wife told him I was getting worse. He said, 'I have got a wonderful cure' and told her about Fynnon Salt."

"My wife bought a tin and gave me a dose during the afternoon and another at night. I had three doses the next day. The following day I got up and came downstairs myself, the first time for six months. On the third day I was back at work."

"If you would like further proof of my statement I will be only too pleased to refer you to my doctor and the Superintendent of the Insurance Company who told me about Fynnon. I am working on very heavy, damp work—large concrete products. I am in better health now than I have been for years."

Need anything more be said? Let Fynnon Salt, gets to grips with your Rheumatism, 1/3 a tin at all chemists.—Adv.

HONOURS SHOWERED

UPON HIM

SO much has happened to him since then. So many honours and distinctions have been showered upon him. His soldiering exploits would provide plots for half a dozen adventure stories, for from the day he laid aside his dental forceps for the sword he has made military history.

Yet he is still under fifty—the youngest man of his rank in the Army.

It was in 1914, when he was twenty-four, that his big chance

came. Europe, over which the war clouds had hovered so long, was rebounding to the tramp of marching feet. The mighty German army was setting out to win for the power-crazy Kaiser his dream of a world dominated by the Fatherland.

Around the world Britain's colonies rallied gallantly to her aid, and in far-off New Zealand a big, husky young man heard the call with racing pulse and eager eyes.

He pulled his last tooth that day and then laid aside his forceps and carefully folded his white surgery coat. He was through with dentistry. There was a war on, and the blood of those fighting ancestors of his was not to be denied.

A week later he was on a ship bound for England. He was too impatient to wait to join the expeditionary force that New Zealand was to muster, and so he had sold the magnificent collection of cups and medals he had won as a swimmer to raise the money for his fare.

His first move when he arrived in London was characteristic of his daring, enterprising spirit.

He stopped Mr. Winston Churchill,

2 Million Mothers Say This is the Ideal Remedy



You have two worries when your child catches cold. You must end it quickly, before it leads to something more serious. And you must treat it safely, lest you do more harm than good. Two million mothers every year find the perfect answer is "Vick."

NO RISKY "DOSING"
This pleasant ointment is simply rubbed on throat, chest and back at bedtime, so it cannot possibly upset the stomach as internal medicines often do. Children actually like it!

WORKS SO FAST
Quickly, phlegm loosens, coughing stops. Breathing easily, the child drops off to sleep in comfort. While he sleeps "Vick" goes on working for hours, and breaks up most colds overnight.

FEELS SO GOOD
The little chest feels warm and comfortable almost immediately as "Vick"

Proved by Doctors!
In tests by doctors among 17,353 people, "Vick" ended colds quicker. Insisted on genuine "Vick," 1/3, or double quantity, 2/6.

VICK BRAND VAPOUR-RUB
"Just rub it on"

Best for grown-ups, too!

To Men and Women of all ages—especially those over forty



The New Year reminds Millions over Forty

Few people accept with equanimity the fact that they have passed their fortieth birthday, for there is a significance about forty which belongs to no other age. It seems to mark the end of youth and a beginning of a period of change and re-adjustment, frequently characterised by physiological disturbance and mental distress.

So let us be thankful for 'Phyllosan' brand tablets, which are helping so many to live happily through this difficult period and to feel vigorous and youthful at fifty, sixty, even seventy years of age.

Both by clinical tests and by the practical experience of countless men and women in all walks of life, it has been conclusively established that 'Phyllosan' tablets

have a definitely revitalizing and rejuvenating effect upon the whole human organism, irrespective of age.

A medical treatise, summarising the results of clinical tests, states:

"The results after taking 'Phyllosan' tablets are: a sensation of general well-being, disappearance of mental depression and the feeling of fatigue, return and increase of the appetite. The patient experiences a new lease of life. 'Phyllosan' tablets stimulate all the vital and physical forces. They, so to speak, rejuvenate the patient."

Start taking 'PHYLLOSAN' TABLETS TO-MORROW!

Of all chemists, 3/-, 5/- (double quantity), and 20/- (nearly ten times the 3/- size)

To revitalize your Blood, rejuvenate your Arteries, correct your Blood Pressure, fortify your Heart, strengthen your Nerves, and increase all your Physical and Vital Forces, irrespective of age!

Proprietary rights are not claimed apart from the registered trade mark 'Phyllosan' which is the property and denotes the products of Natural Chemicals Ltd., London.

For 1940 Be Fit and Slim

EVERY woman wants to look better, to feel better in the year ahead. Slenderness is the way to health, beauty and fitness.

A couple of Bile Beans taken nightly enables you to 'slim while you sleep'—surely and safely. These fine vegetable pills do more than disperse unwanted fat—they purify and enrich the blood, tone up the entire system and make you feel better in health in every way.

So start with Bile Beans tonight and make sure of looking and feeling your best in 1940.

SOLD EVERYWHERE.



By Taking Bile Beans EACH NIGHT AT BEDTIME.

Printings Winter Sale

We are on the verge of a rise in prices comparable with that in the last war. We advise you in all friendliness to take the opportunity of this sale.



'RAINWARM' WEATHERCOAT
Never again at this price

42 P. 115—Strong stout texture waterproof material. The smart check fleecy lining gives all the warmth of an overcoat for colder days ahead. All seams taped and strongly sewn. EXTRA WIDE THREE-PIECE SKIRT allows ample wrap-over when round belt. In Medium Fawn shade, 22 to 42 in. Chest. Post 11/9. 44 in. chest, 12/6. 46 in. chest, 13/3. 48 in. chest, 14/0. 50 in. chest, 14/9.



NAVY BLUE MELTON TROUSERS

42 P. 175—Fully cut, all seams doubly sewn, good strong pockets, double buttoned at back, back seam taped for extra strength wide legs and neat room. Waist measures: 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 in. Inside leg measures: 29, 31, 33 in. Post 6/9. SALE PRICE, per pair. Please state waist and inside leg measurements when ordering.

TWEED TROUSERS
Good weight hard wearing Tweed. Seams strongly sewn. Two side and one hip pockets, adjustable side strap and permanent turn-ups. In Dark Plain Grey, Dark Brown and Dark Blue. Inside leg measurements to all waists, 28, 30 and 32 in. SPECIAL PRICE 6/11.

PONTINGS

MEN'S SKI-PATTERN SHOE

2/P. 298
Uppers of fine Pebble Grain Leather in Tan or Black.
Leather inner sole.
Heels with composition rubber top-piece.
Lined throughout.
Outer sole of double wear rubber composition.
Strongly sewn throughout.

SIZES 6 to 11
SALE PRICE 8/1. Post 6d.



MEN'S WELLINGTONS
WITH HEAVY CLEATED SOLES

2/P. 542. 1. Heavy duty finished Black Rubber. 2. Soles extra thick and cleated giving twice the wear of plain soles and a sure grip. 3. Reinforced in vital parts, extra reinforcements at toes. 4. The extra heavy lined throughout. Comfortable fit. Sizes 6 to 11. Pair. Post 6d. 12/9.

ST. MARGARET 'DOUBLE-LIFE' CARDIGANS

42 P. 154—Heavy weight pure Wool, beautifully knitted. Soft, warm and comfortable in wear, good fitting, with two pockets. Plain or mixed mixtures of Fawn, Mid and Dark Grey, Brown, Heather and Lovat mixtures. 26 to 42 in. chest. SALE PRICE 6/9. Post 6d. 44 and 46 in. chest 7/9. 48 and 50 in. chest 8/9.



'ADMIRALTY' 'DOUBLE-LIFE' WHITE SHIRTS

64 P. 300. Made from strong White Kapp cloth, good weight. Fully cut, will not shrink. Double cuffs. White only. Sizes: 14 1/4, 15 1/4, 16 1/4, 17 1/4, 18 1/4, 19 1/4, 20 1/4, 21 1/4, 22 1/4, 23 1/4, 24 1/4, 25 1/4, 26 1/4, 27 1/4, 28 1/4, 29 1/4, 30 1/4, 31 1/4, 32 1/4, 33 1/4, 34 1/4, 35 1/4, 36 1/4, 37 1/4, 38 1/4, 39 1/4, 40 1/4, 41 1/4, 42 1/4, 43 1/4, 44 1/4, 45 1/4, 46 1/4, 47 1/4, 48 1/4, 49 1/4, 50 1/4, 51 1/4, 52 1/4, 53 1/4, 54 1/4, 55 1/4, 56 1/4, 57 1/4, 58 1/4, 59 1/4, 60 1/4, 61 1/4, 62 1/4, 63 1/4, 64 1/4, 65 1/4, 66 1/4, 67 1/4, 68 1/4, 69 1/4, 70 1/4, 71 1/4, 72 1/4, 73 1/4, 74 1/4, 75 1/4, 76 1/4, 77 1/4, 78 1/4, 79 1/4, 80 1/4, 81 1/4, 82 1/4, 83 1/4, 84 1/4, 85 1/4, 86 1/4, 87 1/4, 88 1/4, 89 1/4, 90 1/4, 91 1/4, 92 1/4, 93 1/4, 94 1/4, 95 1/4, 96 1/4, 97 1/4, 98 1/4, 99 1/4, 100 1/4. SALE PRICE 3/9. Post 6d. Three for 11/3. Post 6d.

FAMOUS 'DOUBLE-LIFE' PYJAMAS
Strongest where wear is greatest 64 P. 311. Winter-weight Doubleweave Viceroye. Trainers have double seams; Jackets double seam back. Cut on generous lines. Will not shrink. Black and bold designs of Blue, Green, Mauve, Fawn or White grounds. Sizes 36 to 42 in. chest. Post 6d. SALE PRICE 5/9. Post 6d. 17/3. Three for 17/3. Post 6d.

OUTSIZE VELVETEEN TWO-PIECE

66 P. 159.—Jersey Fabric Wool Mixture TWO-PIECE. Self-raised design and sleeveless Coat. Wine, Bottle, Purple, Lido, Nigger, Navy, Black, State, second choice. WX, and Full O.S. Length 46-47-48-50-52 in. Hips 44-46-48-50-52 in.

OUTSIZE VELVETEEN
65 P. 158—Plain Corded Velveteen. F.C.C.K. New neck-line, all round belt. Rust, Green, Sage, Purple, Wine Lido (give 2nd choice). Limited quantity only. Post 6d. Length 46-48-50-52 in. Hips 44-46-48-50-52 in.



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There's a Bargain On The Horizon SALE HOLD!

By MRS. EVERYWOMAN

NEW YEAR is the great festival for us womenfolk, and why? Because the half-yearly clearance sales start. We make the best of resolutions only to buy necessities, but we all know how prices are rising and good things difficult to get. So we are going to make hay whilst the going is good.

◆ Economy, yes, but it is forethought and wise buying that keeps the home fires burning. So off we go into the sale catalogues, for the sales start in earnest tomorrow.

◆ Look out for warm rugs and blankets, and see they are not all fluffed up. The closely woven one is the warmer, although not so attractive as the fluffed one to the touch. Blankets are an investment; be sure to buy them big enough, and coloured ones keep fresh-looking longer than white ones.

◆ If you are a good machinist, buying sheeting by the yard is an economy. I have seen 72-in. wide cream linen sheeting for 3/6 a yard. It gives wonderful service. You can make pillowcases to match.

◆ Housewife style pillowcases—that is, with the deep inside flap to tuck in instead of buttons and buttonholes—are the most practical shapes. I've seen some in good quality cotton, size 20 by 30 in., for 83d each in the sale.

◆ Look out for stockings, not thin filmy ones, but good hard wearers—children's gym stockings especially. The ones with double soles and heels are best, with extra wide hem at the top to take the strain. They can be found in botany wool for 2/6 a pair, in black or school brown.

◆ If baby feels the cold in the country, then one of those all-wool ribbed sleeping-bags will keep those active little feet in the warm. These bags can be had in pink, blue or fawn, with long sleeves, and button together at the shoulder. They are 5/- each.

◆ Space forbids me to mention more, except a ladies' three-piece outfit in wool frieze, consisting of a long coat and tailored costume. The colours were brown, fawn, blue, grey, green or tan, in sizes ranging from S.W., W. and W.X., all the same price at 35/9, post free.

◆ Speaking of postage, as a general rule, for any amount under £1, an extra 3d. or so should be added.

◆ Which reminds me, if you want to know anything about the sales catalogues, etc., or want me to choose any of the things I have mentioned, I shall be pleased to do so. All money except cheques and P.O.s should be registered to Betty Blue, 'The People', Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2.

FOOT NOTES

By MOTHER

If your feet are cold, don't warm them in front of the fire if you want to avoid chilblains. But rub them gently with warm oil or vasoline until the circulation gets going. Children who complain of itchy feet (that is the first sign of chilblains) should have them dabbed over with witch hazel before they go to bed. See that they wear an extra pair of ankle socks inside their gum-boots, and on no account let them sit about in damp shoes.

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ANTI-WASTE ABC

Prizes of 5s. will be awarded for the best order of the year. A. B. C. Entries must be written on postcards (not enclosed in envelopes) addressed to "Mrs. X." c/o "The People," 75 Long Acre, London, W.C.2, and should reach this office not later than Wednesday, January 3.

DROPS of oil on hinges or on noisy shoes will remove the squeak.

ENDS of coloured wool can be quickly knitted up for snow gloves or mittens for children in the country.

FEATHERS from chickens and Christmas birds should be kept and slowly "baked" in paper bags. The tips should be clipped off to go towards a feather-pulveriser.

GALVANISED coal bunkers, fitted with a baffle plate to prevent the coal jamming, are excellent for either in or outdoor storage. The one hundredweight size can be bought for 12s. 6d. each.

HANDKERCHIEFS should be soaked in salt and water before they are laundered.

INSOLES for shoes can be cut from old felt hats. They are especially good for children's Wellingtons.

KITCHEN equipment should be overhauled and all not in general use should be wrapped in newspaper and put away.

MAKE a rule that everyone in the house keeps a strict account of their spending during the coming year.

NEW linen bought for future use should be wrapped in blue paper and stored in the dark if you want to keep it white.

OVEN days—say, two a week—should be the order of the day. With bricks baking is done. No lighting up for cooking a single dish if you wish to economise.

POTATOES should always be cooked in their skins and peeled after, but they must be well scrubbed first.

RIBBED materials should always be pressed on the wrong side on to a thick blanket.

Five shillings has been set to the following retailers: H. B. beginning with S. T. U.

SMALL rashes of bacon, boiled for five minutes and then fried, become twice their size in bulk—Miss Grace Freeman, 23, Buckingham-st., Drury-lane, Sheffield.

TUMBLERS should be put in a bowl of cold water and brought to the boil before using. This will make them crack-proof—Miss Manning, The Hayes, Chertilton, Fitzpatrick, Devon.

USEFUL firelighters can be made by breaking a 2d. flat brick into four pieces. Place the pieces in an old tin and cover with paraffin. The bricks are not affected by heat and can be replaced in the paraffin to make good fuel economy.

VACUUM flasks kept filled with hot drinks during day as well as night will save lighting up the gas when someone comes in from the cold and wants a hot drink quickly.

WINTER weather has set in, so look to your pipes and taps to prevent them freezing before you go to bed tonight.

Feasting on RICE

By "HOUSEWIFE"

AFTER the feast the fast. Well, it needn't be quite, but we do like recipes that help the meat and fruit spin out. The best friend I know for cookery economy is rice. It seems to go with everything. You probably have a good family recipe with rice as the mainstay—curries, pies, conde puddings. There are dozens of rice dishes.

Write yours on a postcard to arrive not later than Wednesday, January 3, 1940, and send it to Housewife, "The People", Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2. Five shillings will be sent for all recipes published.

Here are last week's winners:

PORCUPINE

INGREDIENTS: Half a pound of minced remains of turkey, 2 oz. of minced boiled ham or bacon, 1 lb. of mashed potatoes, one tablespoonful of grated cheese, one tablespoonful of minced walnuts, pepper, salt and one egg, some fat bacon.

Method: Mix the turkey, ham, potatoes, cheese and walnuts together; season and bind with the beaten egg. Shape into a roll cut some fat pieces of bacon into lengths 1½ in. by ½ in. wide, make holes in the roll with a skewer, and into each put a piece of bacon to resemble a porcupine quill. Place in a hot oven until nicely browned. It will require no cooking, as the rice will be sufficient for the purpose—Miss Spriggs, 97, Newham-drive, Liverpool 6.

RABBIT TORPEDOES

TAKE the remains of a rabbit put through the mincer, mix with equal quantities of mashed potatoes, a little chopped parsley and a little beaten egg. Shape into "torpedoes" and try in boiling fat a golden brown.

Roll a few rashers of bacon into small cubes, fasten with thread and fry. Arrange the torpedoes on a hot dish with the rolls and garnish with parsley—Mrs. M. Parry, Martin's Cottage, Milver, Holywell, North Wales.

GOOSE AND APPLE

LINE a flat tin with pastry; spread over this a layer of minced goose, then a layer of chopped apples. Put on a thin layer of pastry; repeat the layers of goose and apples. Cover with pastry, brush over with milk and bake for three-quarters of an hour—Miss Alice Parry, Martin's Cottage, Milver, Holywell, North Wales.

ODDS AND ENDS

ONE pound cold minced poultry, 2 oz. breadcrumbs, one well-beaten egg, one hard-boiled egg, one onion (cut fine), a little parsley, stock.

Line dish with sides with hard-boiled egg cut in slices, then all dish with all the ingredients, mix mixed, and bake in the oven for 30 minutes. A thin layer of mashed potatoes may be used over the top if liked—Mrs. Racie, 101, Wavynhulme-rd., Strethford, Manchester.

NORFOLK PASTIES

A Norfolk way of using up Christmas left-overs. They are equally delicious hot or cold.

Make a good pie pastry; roll out thinly and stamp out into large rounds. Take all small pieces of any Christmas meat, such as turkey, chicken, ham, pork or rabbit, mix together and chop finely or pass through the mincer. Add any small bits of seasoning or, if you have none, a few breadcrumbs and dried thyme, salt and pepper.

Pile up in centre of pastry and put on top a pat of butter, dripping or a spoonful of thick brown gravy to moisten the mince. Pinch edges of pastry well together, seal down cup, and bake in a moderate oven till pastry is nicely browned. They eat good—Mrs. M. B. Parry, Overseas House, St. James's, S.W.1.

"THE PEOPLE" PAPER

PATTERN SERVICE

No. 543

CHILD'S BLOUSE

AND KILT

SMALL daughters will be wanting new blouses for school, to wear under their gym tunics, and shown in the sketch is a good practical pattern that you will find really useful. Cut with a neat round neck, a moderate open full, a nicely finished hem. They eat good—Mrs. M. B. Parry, Overseas House, St. James's, S.W.1.

For going out to tea and home wear is the pattern in sketch. It is made in a simple, easy-to-cut fabric. Sizes to be had are 4-6, 6-8 and 8-10 years. Small girls' blouse takes 1½ yd. 36-in. fabric, kilt takes 1½ yd. 36-in. fabric, kilt takes 1½ yd. 36-in. fabric, kilt takes 1½ yd. 36-in. fabric.

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Health news

If nerve suffering is your trouble read these two remarkable cases, which show you how to overcome your weakness and make a good recovery.

SERIOUS BREAKDOWN

Put yourself in this young woman's place—and then rejoice in her recovery! She may have been worse than you with her nerves, perhaps yet today she says: "After a course of Dr. Cassell's Tablets my nerves are stronger, my appetite goes, I sleep well, and all depression gone, am better and stronger in every way." This—after having had a serious breakdown with "nerve weakness and blood pressure" and although under treatment she made no improvement until she took Dr. Cassell's. No wonder the remarks "you can rest assured how very grateful I am to you for Dr. Cassell's Tablets." F. E. M. J., Ldn., E.12.

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Her nerves are stronger, depression has gone!

They were thinking of an

OPERATION

BRITAIN'S FIGHTING FISHERMEN



CLAD in an old blue jersey, clumping along the quay with heavy thigh-boots, the fisherman from drifter or trawler may to some people seem just a bit of rugged humanity. Yet he and his ancestors, through centuries of our history have been the very foundation of British sea-power, never failing their country in its hour of anxiety.

When for example, this Autumn the Admiralty needed a few hundred fishermen for some particularly dangerous mine-sweeping, was there any lack of volunteers? Actually such a crowd of applicants came forward on the Saturday that the offices could not be closed during the night, and interviewing continued all Sunday.

Exactly the same in our first war with Germany! These hearty seafarers signed on, went aboard, tackled the job, ignored the peril. Today their names, and those of their ships, are enshrined in the golden annals of naval heroism.

Did you ever hear of the drifter *Clover Bank*?

This fishing vessel was of only 78 tons, but in April, 1916, she and her sisters were doing a risky task bravely. The Admiralty had become worried by the frequency with which German submarine mine-layers were coming out of Zeebrugge, working their way through the Dover Straits, and getting down Channel.

It was decided, therefore, to lay abreast the Belgian coast a barrage consisting of mines and nets to entrap them. Tricky, dangerous work indeed for trawlers and drifters operating so near to the Germans' "front doors." But it was accomplished, though at the cost of the *Clover Bank* was sunk by the enemy. Why worry? This barrage would still have to be maintained, despite German guns ashore booming forth, and vigilant destroyers. Those nets must be periodically examined and kept efficient.

Action Stations

So a new *Clover Bank* was built—slightly bigger this time—of 92 tons. Fishermen crew as before. Lieut. D. T. Webster, R.N.R., in command.

On January 23, 1918, just before 11 o'clock of a cold wintry morning, *Clover Bank* II, like her predecessor, was busily extending the barrage when a shell flopped into the sea. Only a thousand yards away.

Lieut. Webster glanced astern, and noticed more shots. The visibility was then two to three miles.

Then, suddenly he saw five German destroyers steaming at right angles towards him.

He summoned his fisher crew to action stations, the gun was swung round, but what sort of chance would a 6-pounder have against the enemy? How many minutes before *Clover Bank* must join her namesake beneath the same waters?

Still, she would do her best. Opening fire at 6,000 yards, her first shot was seen to fall short of the leading destroyer. "Down 2,000!" At 4,000 yards a 6-pounder shell struck the second destroyer right on the bridge.

This infuriated the Germans, who concentrated a hot and rapid fire so that a perfect shower of projectiles dropped all round the drifter, yet, miraculously, not one was a hit.

But anyone who has ever been shipmates with drifter-men knows what fine gunners these clean-eyed fellows became.

Quickly the *Clover Bank* loosed off a third shell, and that, too, hit the target.

Obviously such contest could not be delayed indefinitely. Death and destruction must follow soon. One tiny gun against ten! And each of them at least a 24-pounder!

Smoke Screen

But nobody had a thought of giving in.

"Smoke screen!" The British crew ran along the deck, ignited the smoke-box, threw it from the stern, and a black cloud shut out everything.

Clover Bank, with about one-quarter of the Germans' speed, essayed to get away, the engines below had never coaxed so many "revs" out of the machinery—not even when the drifter was due back to Dover for 10 days' leave.

But it was of little avail. When the smoke cleared away, the German destroyers had not sheered off. They had merely separated in commanding positions: two on one side, one on the other, two astern. "We've got you," they seemed to

CONTINUING here his remarkable new series of the War at Sea during the eventful years of 1914-18, E. Keble Chatterton, the famous naval historian, tells of a little-known drama and its strange sequel when a British armed trawler came face to face with five German destroyers. The material for these articles has mostly been supplied to the writer by officers and men of the Fleet who actually took part in the engagements described.

threaten. "Got you—like the first *Clover Bank*!" Bang! Bang! The drifter pointed her gun and fired twice more, but the enemy was about to punish this impudence from a British drifter. Tearing aside the last vestige of artificial fog, sharp bows churning up the sea into feathery white, the destroyers astern were fast overhauling, while those units at each side were altering course.

"Going to cut us off!" Webster saw through the intention, realised that within the next few minutes his *Clover Bank* would be boarded and captured. All right! "Stand by to open seacocks!" he called down to the engineer. He was determined to sink the ship rather than let her become a prize.

Then he remembered the private signal book and other confidential documents. So overboard they went, weighted with lead to sink.

Now he was ready for the worst. He had, as commanding officer, done his utmost.

Tense Moments

Five destroyers. Nearer and nearer they rushed, firing every gun that would bear, even using their machine-guns. Only a few moments now, and—

Clover Bank all the time was steering to the westward, away from the Belgian sand-dunes, and at this

By Lieut.-Commander
E. KEBLE CHATTERTON
(The Well-known Naval Historian)

crisis something right ahead caught Webster's gaze. Something grey and long and lean, hurrying from the west towards him. Three miles off.

Then the crew looked in the same direction.

During forty-five tense minutes this unequal tussle had been prolonged, and it does not appear too creditable for the Germans that no casualties had been suffered aboard the drifter, not once had she been hit, and only a few fragments of shells arrived.

But now the distant objects shaped themselves into a pair of British destroyers steaming at full speed. The five Germans saw them also, quickly altered course with helm hard over, gave up the chase and went back inside the defences of Zeebrugge Mole.

Yes: it had been a thrilling episode for *Clover Bank*, though by no means her last. To Lieut. Webster and crew came an official letter of appreciation from the Lords of the Admiralty.

It could not be expected that this distant Belgian barrage would be a complete hindrance to U-boat movements, but across Dover Straits in those days stretched a secret mine-field from Folkestone to Cape Gris Nez, and at night this was illuminated by flares while drifters,

Composite picture based on a film.



Naval Dramas Of The Great War

very wide awake, brought his little gun to bear, opened fire—and believe it or not—the second shot was a bull's-eye: it struck the base of the U-boat's conning tower at the fore side.

Evidently, "Frits" had also been lost in the fog, but her crew were not keeping an efficient lookout.

More British shells came pouring forth, but no mine-dive: so hurriedly that her stern went up in the air, disclosing her

Excellent! Let her grope about among the hidden mines.

Two hours passed, fishermen waited ready for any development. Then the inevitable followed—a terrific explosion was heard by H.M. Trawler *Elysian*...

A slight pause... One more detonation, and oil-fuel rose to the surface.

That was the end of U-109, one of the latest and largest of German submarines, which in her flight from a drifter was made to destroy herself with all hands on a row of mines.

Skipper Bullock was given the D.S.C. and the crew were awarded £1,000 to be divided among them.

But why this sum never reached them we shall presently see.

Drastic Efforts

Meanwhile on this self-same January 26, another enemy submarine was fumbling about the Dover Straits, bound back to Zeebrugge.

She still had 100 miles to go before gaining the Goodwin's bar, and was just in the act of rising to the surface seeking the line of net-boys when the H.M.S. *Leven* (a destroyer) caught sight of her periscope and promptly rained a selection of depth-charges.

Well, that concluded the career of UB-38, and only one of her crew could be picked up. He was aged about 21, and had a week's growth of unshorn hair on his chin. But before he could be landed life forsook him.

Now the German authorities in Flanders had become both anxious and angry. Several of their submarines on returning to Zeebrugge reported narrow escapes in the Dover area. Moreover, between December 18 and February 9, no fewer than five had been destroyed down there: UB56, UB35, U-109, UC-50 and UB-38.

How did the Flanders Naval Corps know so much?

Because, firstly, their boats were ordered daily to witness their present positions; and, secondly, when these craft did not reach home, it needed no more than a shrewd guess to discover the reason.

Wherefore since Dover Straits had become to the Germans' almost impassable, it was decided to force this defile with a powerful force of fast destroyers under Captain Heinecke, an officer known for his ruthless daring.

On February 13 this flotilla left Heligoland Bight, hugged the Frisian Islands to avoid British mines, and fell their way till abreast Hanks Lightship (near the Texel). Thick fog made them return as far as Norderney—recently again in the news by reason of the sea-planes loading up magnetic mines.

On the 14th the fog changed to very clear weather, so anchors were lifted and the destroyers, giving the Dutch coast a wide berth during daylight, at length reached the previously mentioned Sandettie Bank at 11.30 p.m.

Here the flotilla separated to do their damndest. Half were to attack our patrols from the north-west, and half from the south-west. Led by Heinecke himself, one half approached the illuminated section, sighted the moving silhouettes of trawlers, drifters, motor-launches—time now 12.30 a.m.

Epic Heroism

The first half made for a vessel in the middle of the barrier, lighting up the sea with a specially bright revolving searchlight. This was the ex-pleasure paddle steamer *Newbury*, which the Germans claimed to sink.

Then they fell upon Motor Launch 12, covered her with their searchlight beams, poured shell after shell at only 400 yards, claimed to sink her too.

Meanwhile the second half-flotilla made towards the *Gris Nez* end of the patrol barrier, fell upon the trawler *James Pond*, set her on fire, and did considerable damage to other units.

After one hour the raid ended as suddenly as it had begun, but it was far from the complete success which such a murderous force should have achieved against lightly armed craft, of whom so many were wooden-built.

Just as today, the Germans made the most exaggerated statements. Far from sinking M.L. 12, the only thing they injured was a wire stay.

The *Newbury* went through hell, being simultaneously attacked on both sides so that her depth-charges went off, the bridge was wrecked, four officers and five men killed.

Yet with real British pluck her captain and engineers managed to steam

her till almost up to Dover breakwater, whence she was towed safely inside.

Of the other six damaged patrols, all were drifters.

One trawler, the *James Pond*, was sunk, but her end forms one of the finest episodes of the sea. Yet again did our fishermen show their heroism. Listen to this plain tale of one who knew no fear.

Her commanding officer was Skipper A. E. Berry. Already at the Dardanelles he had won the D.S.C. for gallantry in the Grimsby trawler *Frascati*.

Despite the Turco-German shells from the shore, he stuck to the job, but how he survived seemed a miracle. He remained out there till the evacuation came back to England, was promoted to Chief Skipper, did excellent work, and tonight was on the *Flare Patrol* when three German destroyers in line ahead simultaneously opened fire.

Result: *James Pond's* forecastle pierced in many places, one shell exploded in the wireless room, killing two operators in their bunks, mortally wounding the third.

Alfred Berry was in his wheelhouse cabin when another shell exploded, setting it on fire, wounding him in the legs.

Ignoring his pain, he remained cool and collected, ordered all hands to lie down till firing ceased, then tried to put out the conflagration.

Impossible task. "Abandon ship!" he commanded.

The falls had been ruined by shell fire, but he encouraged his men to lift the heavy boat over the gunwale. Survivors clambered in, and off they rowed towards the French coast.

A few minutes later the *James Pond* blew up, but at Wissant they beached the dinghy, where British, French and American officers dressed the wounds and showed every kindness to distressed mariners.

"I cannot too strongly commend Chief Skipper A. E. Berry," wrote the head of the Dover Trawler Patrol to Vice-Admiral Roger Keyes, referring to the "cool, courageous and gallant conduct on this occasion. They all behaved with the well-known fearlessness of the Mercantile Marine and its Fishing Fleets."

But if seven drifters had been damaged, seven others that night had been sunk. And one of them was *Clover Bank* II.

That was why the men in *Beryl* refused to accept all the £1,000. They asked that £500 of it should be given to the Mayor of Dover's Fund, earmarked for the widows and children of those drifter crews.

And did this raid make things easier for U-boats negotiating the Dover Straits? It certainly did not. Out came the drifters and trawlers as before. They fired their little guns against the silhouettes; down fled submarine after submarine, up went the explosions.

The Straits had become quite "impassable."

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1st Group Sleep, say scientists

There are 3 Sleep Groups

WHICH DO YOU BELONG TO?



3rd SLEEP GROUP

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1st SLEEP GROUP

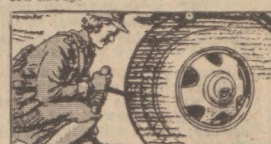
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MOST PEOPLE think that when they're asleep their mind is at rest. This is not always true. In times of exceptional strain like these, most people's brains and nerves go on worrying all night ever though the body is asleep. And that simple fact explains how the war has brought about such an enormous increase in "nerves" and tiredness.

Scientists explain it by pointing out that all people belong to one of 3 Sleep Groups—1st Group, 2nd Group, 3rd Group.



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"Man o' the People" writes on Things That Matter

Let's Talk it Over

To You
And Me

NINETEEN THIRTY-NINE leaves us, like a guest who has overstayed his welcome, and Nineteen Forty is knocking at the door, a cold stranger with a blank face that no man can read. Yet tonight, habit being so strong, millions of men and women will see the New Year in and toast its advent. They will all be praying that somewhere, in the stranger's unopened luggage of the months to come, there may be found the supreme gift of peace.

"Man o' the People" has seen old New Years in in four European capitals, but never, as it happens, in Berlin, where normally the festivities last all night.

This year the Berliners will be going home—soberly, it is hoped—at one o'clock. Himmler, chief of the Gestapo, has issued the decree and an official broadcast has admonished all Germans to behave themselves "in a dignified manner," such as becomes "the serious situation."

Let us hope that before Nineteen Forty is out the situation for Nazi Germany will become, not only "serious," but disastrous.

For Hitler and his gang are the world's kill-joys; the arch-enemies of simple happiness; the curse of all this generation.

BY common accord, though for reasons not clear to the writer, everybody celebrates the New Year. It seems to make no difference whether the Old one has been good or bad, profitable or ruinous.

The first leaf of the new calendar is always turned with a thrill of hope, and most people count upon turning over new leaves in their private lives at the same time.

Oh, yes; I do it with all the others! I make and break my good resolutions with pathetic punctuality, and I continue to believe that next year will somehow be different.

This time it's got to be different. This time there are some resolutions which we shall have to keep. Tonight's the night for designing the victory medal!

YEARS ago, when the Western Brothers were actually wearing the old school tie and people who didn't want to hear comic songs had nothing to fear from musical boxes with magic dials, there was a popular chorus which ran: "If I were Arthur Balfour I would, I would."

How it went on I do not remember, but Balfour comes back to my mind as a benevolent old gentleman peering through glasses, his fine head thrust forward like the head of a tortoise, timidly surveying, but never actually exploring, all manner of promising political avenues.

We have had many intellectually brilliant statesmen of that type, but in the coming year what we need more than anything else is strong and determined leadership.

And, "If I were Neville Chamberlain, I would"—at least I hope I would—take the ordinary people of this country more into my confidence and tell them what I thought they ought to do to help win the war.

That done, I should bank on them to "put up a good show."

IF a great many people are "not taking the war as seriously as they should do," this is at least partly because they do not know what is expected of them.

More legislation is not a sufficient guide to conduct. Take even tonight's celebrations: some will "make whoopee" without scruple; some will do likewise, but with pangs of conscience; others will refuse to celebrate at all.

What ought we to do? Sir John Simon has told us to save all we can, but we have also been reminded by more than one public man that business must be kept going.

Again, the horse-power tax goes up from fifteen to twenty-five shillings tomorrow; ought those who can afford it to pay the new tax and use all the petrol they can get, or ought they to lay up their cars and thus lighten the burden of the country's unessential imports?

These and many other questions should be answered, and if I were the Premier, this is how I should answer them:—

"YOU all know"—I should begin—"that we were forced into this war. It wasn't only for the sake of Poland; it certainly wasn't to crush Germany; it was to prevent Hitler from getting the whip hand over all Europe and reducing Britain and France themselves to servitude."

"Very well, then; let us stop arguing about past mistakes and missed chances. All that matters now is to smash this bully before it is too late."

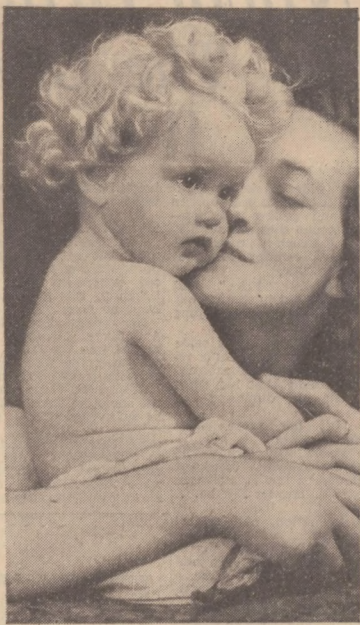
"It is going to cost us a lot of money. It may cost us innumerable lives. It is bound to mean hardship and sacrifice for all and danger and suffering for many. But it's got to be done."

"The men and women in uniform are not grumbling and nobody else has any excuse to do so. If some of you get big Income Tax demands this week, you must have big incomes and you're very lucky."

"SIR JOHN SIMON has raised the horse-power tax. If you can't afford to pay it, lay up your cars by all means. Then you'll save money, and you can buy Defence Bonds and Savings Certificates with that."

"But, if you can afford to pay it, then run your cars with a clear conscience and use your proper ration of petrol. We want to reduce petrol consumption, but it isn't necessary to stop private motoring altogether."

"If it were, we should stop it at once. Meanwhile we intend to make you pay through the nose for this and all other luxuries."



"WHAT we expect from all of you at home is common-sense loyalty. That means hard and honest work; no loitering on the job, no manoeuvring for undeserved overtime; no shabby under-payment of employees; and no profiteering of any kind whatever."

"Hitler, even with the Gestapo to back him up, can't compel the German people's loyalty and honesty. Here we don't believe in compulsion, but we expect you to discipline yourselves."

"That's what my friend Simon means when he tells you it is your duty to save, and also what other colleagues mean when they emphasise the importance of keeping business running as normally as possible."

"So buy what you need, but buy sensibly and 'buy British.' You won't help to win the war by thinking of nothing else. You need recreation from time to time, and you don't want to stop your fun."

"But we mean to make you pay for it. We are taxing all luxuries heavily as it is, so use your own judgment as to what you can properly afford."

"WASTE is the great thing to avoid. Don't fling your money about. Many of you are earning more now than you ever did before. Save the surplus; then you will not only help the country, but yourselves, too."

"Early in the New Year rationing is going to begin, and will extend as soon as complete arrangements are made."

"Mr. Morrison has told you truly that we have decided to ration meat and sugar as well as butter and bacon, chiefly because we want to restrict imports and to reserve shipping as far as possible for war purposes."

"But it is also true that when supplies are limited rationing is the only fair way to deal with them. You all know that. You all know that rich and poor must be treated alike."

"Play fair, then, and don't grumble. You won't go short of food. You will be far better off than the Germans were even when the war started. In fact, I shouldn't be surprised if some of you feel a lot fatter on the new diet than the old."

"And finally, if you are making good resolutions for 1940, put this one at the head of the list:—My country first, my neighbour second, and, after that, business and life as usual."

CIGARETTE PAPERS

By The Lounge

"THERE was no big attack over the holidays," says a military writer. But there was a general blitzkrieg on Turkey.

"Scotsmen," says an article, "have a special genius for letting in the New Year." It's the only thing they let past them.

"The January Sales," says another article, "will return with their usual struggles." Attack and counter-attack.

"The great thing after a big dinner," says a health note, "is to get moving quickly. Alfie says if you can move at all, you haven't been trying."

TODAY'S PROVERB
Oh, often boldness serves us best. And caution serves us worst. Some situations can't be saved By playing "safety first."

WISDOM WEEK BY WEEK
It's no use having the world at your feet if you're not going to put your best foot foremost.

LITTLE ALFIE ON
"NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION"
Well, you People people, how did you stand up to that Xmas dinner? Goo, me and Horrie didn't have a time! I reckon I kept the family flag flying by demolishing everything that was set in front of me. By the way, do any of you know what a young corporal said? That's what Farmer Oates called me, and I'll bet it's a rare compliment, because he said it most admiringly. Father said I'd just blizzkrieged the stuff.

Mind you, our Florrie had no right to say I ate a lot, I mean, I only had 2 helpings of turkey and sordidge and mashed potatoes and a sprout and plum pudding and trifle and mince-pies and oranges and nuts and a few chocklets out of a bonbon dish—that was all. I mean, if I'd eaten too much, I'd have felt all heavy, whereas I just felt happy and dreamy, as if I was floating about the sky on a feather-bed of peace and good will. You know the feeling, don't you?

So I'm hoping you'll all have a happy New Year as we've had a jolly Xmas. It's a rummy New Year to look forward to, because none of us knows what's going to happen in the twelfth hour, but we know for absolutely certain that England's going to finish on top, because of our brave soldiers, sailors and airmen, assisted by our brave wardens, like Father. I mean, he wears a tin hat same as the others, and he doesn't look any funnier than anybody else. At least, generally he doesn't, but just once he did, because on Xmas Day he put it down on a chair in the hall of the farmhouse, and Rags (that's my dog) carried it off by the chin-strap into the henhouse, and a white Leghorn pullet, lade an egg in it. Father didn't find it out till it started gouting trickling down his face.

So I've resolved to make New Year Resolutions this year, but it's a job that's got to be done, because, after all, the postmen and don't they and all the cheerfulness, your curdidge and your resolution that are going to put the spoke in old Adolf's wheel. So, if such a lot depends on my resolution, I shall have to see that I make it a good 'un, shan't I?

So I've resolved to do everything in my power to help our good King George and Lord Gort and all the soldiers and sailors and airmen (including Florrie's Cyril) and Father and Farmer Oates, to win the war by keeping cheerful and digging pertaters and even going my proper work at school for Old Beaky. And I'll bet you I keep these O.K. even if the last one nearly kills me. But everybody had better look out his year, because I'm going to start the New Year in fine fittin' time.

NEW YEAR'S SONG
No one knows what the year has in store for us, but however unsettled the outlook may be, there'll be blue skies around the corner, if we keep a

POLITICIANS, of course, are not in the habit of talking so informally. They prefer to round their phrases and, often, to obscure their meaning lest at any time the uttered word should prove a boomerang.

Moreover, if some member of the Government ever did make such a speech as I have here imagined, he would be sure to get some plain talk back.

His listeners would say to him: "Are you practising what you preach? How much waste is the Government permitting? What are you doing for your 'neighbours'—the poor people at home, the unemployed, the old-age pensioners the ex-Service men of the last war, and the families of the fighting men in this?"

And he would be hard put to it to answer all those questions, just as this writer would be hard put to it if he were asked how far he has lived up to his own advice.

Nevertheless, whatever mistakes we have made in the past, this is the day to make good resolutions for the future.

We are certain to win this war, but the day of victory will be hastened or delayed by the sum total of individual effort. Each one of us can help to "put up a good show."

ALL of you have read, I suppose, of the disastrous earthquake in Turkey which has cost some 8,000 lives—more than the total British and French casualties in this strange war!

In normal times such a tragedy would have filled the news pages; it would have moved us greatly had it occurred at the far ends of the earth instead of being within the frontiers of a friendly country.

But now, for all our friendship with the Turks, the destructive freakishness of nature moves us less than the malevolence of evil men. We shrug our shoulders—pitifully, but undismayed—at the visitations of providence and we remain wholly absorbed in the purposes of war.

THAT is the measure of the importance of this world conflict. The stakes are infinitely greater than human life.

We are fighting for freedom; for the right not of individuals, but of whole nations, to live their independent lives; and for the happiness and security of countless children all the world over.

The Finns, outnumbered fifty to one, are doing desperate, but magnificent battle in the same cause. The neutral world, bewildered, selfish and timorous though it be, is looking on in an agony of sympathy and sympathetic fear.

The Old Year is dying in a welter of "frightfulness." Hitler and Stalin, the supreme kill-joys and the enemies of happiness, still hold sway over the blind millions of their fellow-countrymen and the legions of conquered people held in bondage for a little while.

But their power is waning and their days are numbered. The rule of the sea is still ours; the supremacy of the skies is already within sight; and the frontiers of freedom are manned with dauntless might.

WE can face Nineteen Forty with stout hearts. France is with us body and soul, a free nation and a gallant one, an old friend and a tried. We are at one with her in unity of command and unity of purpose and in absolute unity of sacrifice.

Two great Empires march beside their motherlands and all Christendom rallies to our moral support, with the blessing of the greatest of the Christian Churches.

And so I give you the toast: "Nineteen Forty and on to Victory!" The New Year dawns and the sky is bright with hope.

A Man o' the People

THE WORLD ON PARADE

Millions Of Wakeful Hours

EVER since the outbreak of the war the various branches of the country's fourth line of defence, the A.R.P. services, have kept watch and ward continuously, and with nearly three millions of them on regular spells of duty it is calculated that they have put in 136,000,000 hours of waiting and watching for that emergency which fortunately, so far, has not arisen.

In addition, many of them, who joined on the outbreak of war, have attended anti-air raid and high explosives lectures. There are also periodical practices, so that if the Civil Defence is costing £3,750,000 monthly, there is no doubt of its being a time-serving job for all concerned.

Air Paradise

NO better country in the world could have been chosen as a training sphere for budding airmen than Canada. The varied topography of the land, the climatic conditions, are

wittingly or unwittingly being passed on to the enemy, most of the officers are dealing with 15,000 to 20,000 letters per day. The work is almost as exacting as marking examination papers and even now and then a letter comes to light which rouses doubts, so that it has to be referred to one of the highly-qualified experts on the staff, to whom deciphering codes is now child's play.

A NEW YEAR did not always officially begin on January 1. Scotland adopting this date in 1599, England not following suit until another 153 years had elapsed?

Several well-known Scottish regiments have their own traditional customs of piping out the Old Year and ushering in the New with many quaffings of "Atholl Brose," a concoction consisting chiefly of whisky and honey?

Robert Burns composed "Auld Lang Syne" for a friend as an example of old Scottish song, in 1789, the words

"A HAPPIER NEW YEAR"

A HAPPIER New Year for All! This is the prayer we lift, above War's angry Landscape, so its pinion of gold will drift; upon the Winds of Faith, which will cleanse the World once more and strew the sinful deeds of men upon Life's dark Lost Shore.

A Happier New Year for All! This Hope is on the march, along Life's untrodden Road, through Time's mysterious Arch. For the peoples of the earth are determined to uphold the Love, the Light, which Christ Himself bade all mankind behold.

A Happier New Year for All! Oh courage lift our hearts, so that we may with gallant souls each play our humble parts, until the earth once more is freed from forces vile, until each little child can live safely within Faith's Smile.

A Happier New Year for All! So the Frontiers of Faith will stand, because they're built of stuff which has been Touched by God's Own Hand. Because they shine beyond all sacrifice and loss, because they're Lit by that same Light that Immortalised Life's Cross.

J. M.

all ideal for developing air sense, while the wide extent of the Dominion makes it possible for pilots to become first class in the necessity of being able to fly long distances. In fact, there are all the advantages for successful and speedy training and none of the disadvantages.

A hundred years ago a German, Max Schneckenburger, fearful of the French, tried to win and stir his fellow countrymen by resorting to the poetic muse and so producing the "Watch on the Rhine." He little dreamt that a century later there would still be a need to keep an eye on the river, and that Germans would be more than ever fearful of its being crossed by the same enemy, France.

Look East

SINCE the Nazis came into power we have heard much of "living space," yet the figures of density of population reveal that we have more cause to grumble than they have. In England there are 740 persons to the square mile, more than double Germany's, which is only 317 and if she really wants more room, then her ally, Russia, has the breathing space, for though the population of the U.S.S.R. is about 180 millions, it works out at a density of only 20 per square mile.

These are busy days for Britain's Blue Pencil Brigades, the censors of postal packets. In order to take reasonable precautions against information

being set for their present familiar tune about ten years later?

1940 being a Leap Year will be appreciated by the Inland Revenue authorities in providing an extra day's takings in the financial year, while those who are paid monthly will have to work a day for nothing as compared with ordinary years?

It was on the first of January, 1900, that the quarterings of the Royal Arms of Britain appeared, or the first time for several centuries minus the symbol of the lilies of France?

An old legend maintains that the British will hold Gibraltar as long as there is left on the Rock a single apple?

POSER

AN MAN walked into a carpenter's shop and asked for a piece of mahogany 12 inches square. The carpenter had only two pieces 8 inches square and one piece 4 inches square. The man said, "If you can join them together to the size I want on these conditions, I'll give you £5!" Thus: (1) No piece to be cut more than once, the cuts must be straight; (2) no more than two pieces to be each of the same size; (3) the grain of the wood must run all the one way. The carpenter was paid the £5. How did he do it?

Answer to last Sunday's poser: The log was cut into the following three lengths, 8.6 feet, 6.3 feet and 5.1 feet.

THE LOOKER-ON.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

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Profiteering Stops Tomorrow—It's Official!

NEW LAW SETS HOUSEWIVES TO KEEP WATCH ON SHOPKEEPERS

SNAG ABOUT FAIR PRICES

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF BRITAIN, PROFITEERING WILL STOP TOMORROW. THE PRICES OF GOODS ACT THEN COMES INTO OPERATION. ITS PURPOSE IS TO PREVENT SHOPKEEPERS FROM OVERCHARGING ON MORE THAN 150 ARTICLES IN COMMON USE.

But there's a snag in it. The prices of these 150 articles have not been fixed. There will be no direct check by the Government to ensure that fair prices will be asked.

It will be left to the housewife to complain if she thinks she is being overcharged.

And the housewife won't know what is—officially—a fair price.

The idea of the Act is that shopkeepers should charge the price that prevailed ten days before the outbreak of war, plus such extra charges as are justified by increased wages, transport costs, war insurance and so on.

What extra charges of this kind are justifiable cannot possibly be known by any housewife. And the Government won't tell her.

She will be left to guess whether she is being overcharged or not. If she thinks the price is excessive, she can report the shopkeeper to the local Price Regulation Committee.

ARTICLES COVERED

That committee will then go through the complicated process of finding out whether the housewife's suspicions are justified.

If they find the charge is excessive, the shopkeeper will either be warned or prosecuted. Fines up to £500 may be imposed, together with imprisonment up to two years. For a third offence, a tradesman may be forced out of business.

Among the 150 articles covered by the Act are:

Electric Torches. Batteries. Glassware. Pottery. Black-out Material. Curtains. Sheets. Sandbags. Towels. Kettles and Pans. Stockings. Suits. Shoes. Wool. Underwear. Overcoats. Hats. Dresses. Blankets. Cutlery.

Luxury articles will not be included. Price Regulation Committees will have their headquarters—each one covering the district for fifty or sixty miles around—in London, Newcastle, Leeds, Nottingham, Birmingham, Manchester, Tunbridge Wells, Rhyl, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Inverness, and Belfast.

In addition to the 150 articles covered by the Act, the prices of many foodstuffs are already controlled. Where these food prices are exceeded, consumers should complain to the local food committee.

WOMEN SEE MAN FALL FROM ROOF

A man who fell from the roof of Selfridges into Oxford-st. yesterday afternoon was identified later as Sidney Steel, aged about thirty, of St. Philip's-place, Paddington.

He fell near women shoppers in front of a taxi-cab, and the front wheels passed over his body.

A newsreader said: "It was amazing that the man did not fall on someone, because there were many women passing."

"I heard a woman scream, and then saw a man under the wheels of a taxi-cab."

ONE-WOMAN POST OFFICE



This machine has solved America's stamp-licking problem. It sells and "licks" its own stamps, accepts them for collection and postmarks them.

FRENCH LOAN FOR TURKEY

Paris, Saturday.

The French Chamber this afternoon approved a motion to send a message of sympathy and "fraternal solidarity" to the Turkish Parliament.

M. Daladier said the Government would submit a proposal for a loan to Turkey which would "allow France in no small measure to show her friendship with Turkey."

STEEL KING GIVEN RIGHT OF REFUGE

Zurich, Saturday.

The Swiss Government has recognised that Herr Fritz Thyssen, the German Steel magnate, is a political refugee and has granted him the right of asylum in Switzerland.

The same source said that Thyssen was unaware of the reported German allegations against him, accusing him of fraud and illegal transfer of foreign currency.—B.U.P.

TOMMY'S NEW TUNE

IT'S "TAKE ME BACK FROM DEAR OLD BLIGHTY" NOW

SNUG and comfortable in a Surrey hospital are men from nearly every regiment that went to France with the B.E.F. in September. They have been sent home owing to sickness or injury. And they just hate the idea of being back in dear old Blighty.

A crowd of them sat yesterday round a gramophone near a blazing fire in the hospital.

"Blighty!" they exclaimed. "Oh, yes, it makes a change. But we miss the boys out there."

Several of them talked about doing a bit of wangling—to get back to France.

A Royal Engineer spoke up for them. He is sixty years old, was out in France in August, 1914, and now complains because they won't put him in a combatant unit.

"Compared with the last time it's a nursing home," he said. "In the old days we went out to get the enemy, and there were hundreds of thousands of them. Now it's a game of draughts—just waiting for the next move."

"Of course," he added cautiously, "there's no war yet. But the days of bully beef and biscuits have all gone. The food and the billets are grand."

SCOT'S LAMENT

A sergeant next to him took up the tale. "My pals are out there," he said. "I won't be happy till I'm back."

"That's right," chimed in a band sergeant in the Cheshires. "I did stretcher work with the medical unit, and I can tell you that all the men I helped to go 'down the line' through sickness or injury hated the idea."

Propped up in bed near by was a Tommy with a figure of "Popeye" beside him. He was knocked down by a car in France, but made sure that "Popeye," a gift from his fiancée, got a Blighty, too.

Nurses are patching up this Tommy's broken legs. "They have already patched up 'Popeye,'" he said, "and we'll be back as soon as we can."

Only one young soldier, a Cameron Highlander, had a grievance.

"I married a few months ago," he said. "And I'd love to see my wife. She is in Edinburgh, and I know that she won't be able to afford to come to Surrey. I wish the authorities would give her a cheap travel voucher."

This Scot was walking round the ward in his kilt and the upper part of his pyjamas.

A nurse looked on smiling. "These boys are the best patients in the world," she said. "Always doing their best to get well quickly."

HOW WAR CHANGES LIVES OF WORKERS

Daily lives of millions of men and women of the trade and professional classes have been radically changed or complicated by the war. These people, unheard of, are steadfastly and relentlessly doing their bit towards final victory.

Railwaymen, schoolteachers, typists, taxi-drivers and people in dozens of other occupations are carrying on, despite war-created difficulties. How are they doing it? How are they living?

In a series of articles called "Workers in Wartime," which begins in the "Daily Herald" tomorrow, Dudley Barker tells you the stories of individual men and women. This is a collection of vividly written human stories that will help you in your own struggle with the problems of the coming months.

The officers were all Nazi fanatics, and were not popular with their men.

In one case evidence has been taken that one officer was shot from behind. As he had not been "over the top" on a raid, the authorities feel that this is suspicious. A court of inquiry has been set up.

DIPLOMATIC moves to bring Japan into closer and more friendly relations with Britain and France are on foot.

They will take time, but there is good will on both sides.

The United States is also taking a hand in the negotiations, and a big Japan-America trade pact may be announced soon. One consequence of these moves may be an attempt to wind up the Japanese-Chinese war.

All the property of the Roman Catholic Church in Bohemia and Moravia has been seized by the Nazi authorities.

Nazi leaders have been appointed as Commissioners to "administer" the property, on the ground that this is necessary "in the interests of the State."

Much of the church property seized in Austria and Poland has found its way into Germany, and it is now feared that the same thing will happen with the treasures from this part of Czechoslovakia.

HOME WORK



Members of the W.A.A.F.—especially those in house billets—make the most of the holiday break to catch up with their ironing.

RATIONED MEAT WILL COST MORE

Special to "The People"

PRICES OF MEAT WILL BE BETWEEN ONE PENNY AND TWOPENCE A LB. DEARER WHEN RATIONING COMES INTO OPERATION THAN THEY WERE WHEN CONTROL WAS REMOVED LAST MONTH.

That is mainly because the subsidy under the Livestock Act, hitherto paid by the Exchequer, is in future to be paid by the consumer.

Mr. W. S. Morrison, Minister of Food, is to meet representatives of the butchers to draw up a list of official prices for every joint and cut of meat which will become operative as soon as meat rationing begins—probably in February.

As has already been announced, meat rationing will not be on the basis of so many pounds of meat per head per week, but of so many shillingsworth. The consumer can then please himself whether he will buy a large quantity of cheap joints or a smaller quantity of the more expensive joints, like sirloin of beef or loin of lamb.

It is to ensure fair play between all classes of consumers, and to prevent profiteering by butchers, that the Minister is to draw up a list of permitted prices for every joint into which a carcass is carved.

There will be a separate schedule of prices for home-killed meat and imported meat. The imported prices will be the cheaper.

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MILLIONS FOR YOUR DEFENCE

A DEFICIT OF £314,361,360 WAS REVEALED IN THE RETURN ISSUED LAST NIGHT BY THE TREASURY, OF THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1939.

The total ordinary revenue was £544,474,103, a net increase of £54,038,537, against a total ordinary expenditure of £858,835,463.

For the quarter ended December 31, the revenue amounted to £206,009,713, a net increase over the corresponding period of the preceding year of £21,788,005.

The chief items of revenue during the last quarter (the nine months' totals being in parenthesis) were:—

MOTOR DUTIES

Income tax, £255,038,000 (£108,946,000), increase £8,322,000; sur-tax, £5,950,000 (£14,850,000), increase £2,280,000; estate, etc., duties, £16,910,000 (£57,120,000), increase £340,000; stamps, £3,750,000 (£12,680,000), decrease £2,650,000; National Defence contribution, £7,270,000 (£19,410,000), increase £6,140,000.

Customs, £65,406,000 (£198,045,000), increase £28,416,000; Excise, £39,900,000 (£101,150,000), increase £12,950,000.

Motor vehicle duties, £1,310,000 (£29,321,000), decrease £1,748,000. Miscellaneous receipts, £3,150,763 (£13,880,495), increase £4,498,316.

Under the heading of Self-Balancing Revenue, Post Office (revenue required to meet expenditure on Post Office and Broadcasting) there is shown a total for

the quarter of £21,400,000 and for the nine months of £60,946,000, a net increase at December 31 of £2,288,000.

The chief items of expenditure during the nine months ended December 31 compared with the corresponding period of 1938 are as follows:—

Interest and management of National Debt, £191,674,419 (£184,559,489); payments to Northern Ireland Exchequer, £5,643,676 (£5,696,588); other consolidated fund services, £4,030,068 (£1,555,721); total supply services, £687,487,300 (£547,870,534).

Although the accounts give a total estimated expenditure of £1,430,911,000, the actual outgoing this year will, as stated by the Chancellor in his War Budget, be at least £1,933,000,000.

LOAN TOTAL

The difference is represented by the £502,000,000 which Parliament had then already authorised to be borrowed under the Defence Loans Acts. Additional borrowings, he stated, were necessary in order to balance the war budget, bringing the full total to be obtained on loan to £938,000,000.

Sir John Simon emphasised, however, that the £1,933,000,000 could not be taken as a final estimate, for the expenditure on the first seven months of the war was not then known.

HOARDING IS A CRIME!

Zurich, Saturday.

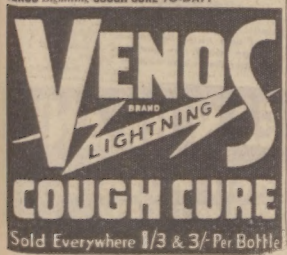
Anybody hoarding money at home in Germany is liable to severe penalties.

A court in Vienna has just sentenced a man to twelve months' hard labour for keeping 55,000 Reichsmarks in a box deposited in a bank.

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"The People's" Secret Service News

A SUBSTANTIAL addition will be made soon to the strength of the personnel of Britain's armed forces.

It is far beyond anything that the Germans have considered likely. It will give them one of the biggest shocks they have had since the beginning of the war, and will please our French allies.

GENERAL VON BRAUCHITSCH, the German Commander-in-Chief, has set up his new G.H.Q., opposite the Luxemburg border.

It is considered not unlikely that the German army proposes to launch its big attack through practically undefended Luxembourg, and then through Belgium.

Hitler's idea is that this would enable him to reach the North Sea ports without invading Holland. He hopes by threats to prevent Holland from going to the aid of Belgium, and to persuade Holland to continue supplying Germany with food.

Whether there is any secret agreement requiring Holland to defend Belgium is not known. Belgium has certainly given her word that she will defend Holland.

TROUBLE is brewing again in Vienna. The Socialist workmen are rallying round the skeletons of their old trade union

organisations, and groups are gathering nightly in the working-class districts to build up a mass anti-Nazi organisation.

Sabotage in the factories is growing and hundreds of thousands of anti-Nazi leaflets, calling for the restoration of a free Austria, have been distributed during the last few weeks.

GERMAN organisations of mothers are complaining about the new decree issued by Herr Hess, Hitler's deputy, by which official status will be conferred on unmarried mothers.

Reports of scandals in the Women's Labour Camps are current throughout Germany, and the mothers fear that in view of the new order the six months which their girls have to spend in these camps will be fraught with additional moral danger.

A HUGE tank construction programme has been put in hand by the German Army authorities. Armament works have been told that at least 10,000 tanks are needed within the next three months.

Most of them are to be of the light, quick-travelling type, armed with light cannon and machine-guns.

Contractors have pointed out that if they are to complete the work in time, they will have to use second-grade steel.

In view of the effectiveness of the British anti-tank guns, this does not make the outlook for the tanks too bright.

EXILED Russians are pleading with Trotsky to leave Mexico, return to Russia, and rally the big force which is still loyal to him in an attempt to overthrow Stalin.

Trotsky's name still has a magical influence with the Red Army, and despite the drastic comb-out of Trotskyists two years ago, there are still many important men in the Soviet hierarchy who would be willing to follow him.

But Trotsky does not want to make the mistake of returning too early. He feels that if Stalin is given a few more months he will get himself into difficulties from which he will not be able to extricate himself.

Trotsky has his own secret service in Russia, and reports are pouring in to his Mexican villa headquarters.

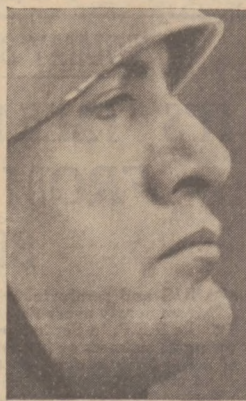
THE German High Command is investigating reports that several officers, recently reported as killed in action on the Western Front, have been shot by their own men.

Edward Lyndoe Tells You

HERE ARE POINTERS TO A SHORT WAR

FROM WHAT I CAN SEE OF IT, IF THE WAR IS NOT ACTUALLY ENDED BY SEPTEMBER, SO MUCH STUFFING WILL HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT OF NAZISM THAT THE END WILL BE EASILY IN SIGHT. YOU WILL RECALL MY PREDICTION, AT THE OUTBREAK, OF A SHORT WAR. I STICK TO THAT. MY CONCLUSIONS ARE BASED ON THESE POINTERS.

Germany will gain no real advantages from her pact with Russia. January brings the sudden death of a Soviet leader in unusual circumstances, and this event will be forerunner of events which will remould the Union, following revolts, possibly in mid-Spring. Changes of Government there will at least be attempted during the summer, and by July the ill-mated partners fall out over Eastern European divisions. September shows a sufficiently heavy fall in Bolshevik prestige to hazard the prediction of a general upheaval.



MUSSOLINI

A PART from these events, political and economic crises hit Germany round about February, and it is worth remarking that the conjunction of Mars and Saturn on February 11 strikes sharply at Hitler. By March there will be a deadlock in production of armaments owing to financial troubles. And about the same time

BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week)

TODAY

ALTHOUGH there are no signs of major difficulties ahead, this may prove a somewhat disappointing year. Delays tend to interfere with the smooth working out of plans, and great care will be necessary in handling all your activities. In particular, I advise you to steer clear of changes for a time. There are no signs of any special financial strain, but it seems to me highly probable that gains on which you had been counting may fail to materialise.

TOMORROW

Money may prove the major problem of the coming twelvemonth, and I advise you to plan your financial affairs on conservative lines. There are temptations to indulge in gambling and speculation, which, unfortunately, are almost bound to lead to losses. You will be well advised to avoid tackling new ventures for some time to come.

TUESDAY

A dull year from a business viewpoint, and your wisest course will be to content yourself for some time to come with steady progress on the existing basis. Occupational pros-

pects, in particular, are under a cloud, and I advise you to be careful in your dealings with people round about.

WEDNESDAY

You will need to exercise plenty of patience this year, and yet in spite of all the delays it is by no means an unhelpful period in your affairs. The only real danger lies in unwise attempts to deal with property matters this year. Anything of the kind will almost certainly lead to difficulties, and there is a possibility of benefit from a change of environment.

THURSDAY

Unwise changes constitute by far the biggest danger for you during the next few months. You will, no doubt, suffer from a feeling of considerable restlessness, but it would be extremely dangerous to rush into new ventures without due preparation. I advise you not to let your judgment be swayed by other people, especially new acquaintances, on this point.

FRIDAY

One of the best years you have ever had from a purely financial viewpoint, but it may prove a trifle disappointing in other respects. A s. d. figures prominently in your affairs, and there is every indication of some unexpected gains. I recommend plenty of enterprise in dealing with business interests.

SATURDAY

Apart from a quickening of interest in your financial affairs this is inclined to be a rather quiet twelvemonth with few developments of outstanding importance. You may suffer from a feeling of irritation at times at the slowness with which your plans proceed, but I think you will find that dogged perseverance will wear down most of the obstacles.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK

(Look for your birth date below to find your section.)

MARCH 21 TO APRIL 20

THE first half of the week is inclined to be dull, and you may, in fact, find the first day of your New Year more than a little trying. Things come to a head on Thursday, and you will find it difficult to keep out of quarrels at mid-week. I advise you to keep a careful eye on expenditure and to hold your hand until Friday before tackling current problems.

APRIL 21 TO MAY 20

The last day of the Old Year may prove rather disappointing for many of you, but 1940 will not be very old before you experience a definite change for the better in almost all your interests. By Tuesday influences appear to be running well in your favour, and you should be able to clear up recent worries with remarkable ease.

MAY 21 TO JUNE 20

You, too, may be feeling rather depressed as the Old Year goes out. Disappointments due to unexpected delays in your plans spoil your enjoyment, and there may be a fair amount of friction in home life. Fortunately, these tendencies do not persist for any length of time, and Tuesday can be relied upon to introduce a note of fine stability into your affairs.

JUNE 21 TO JULY 20

The best opportunities for you folks occur towards the end of the coming week, and I advise you to go cautiously with most of your affairs this side of Thursday. You begin the New Year with some financial strain on Monday, possibly as a result of your own carelessness, and I advise you to watch expenditure closely for a few days so as to reduce the tension.

JULY 21 TO AUGUST 21

On the whole, this is a quiet week for most of you, with little calling for special comment. The day to choose for all matters of major importance is undoubtedly Thursday, when you can expect good opportunities for forging ahead with your plans. Good results are almost certain, so long as you are not engaged in making drastic changes. The point to bear in mind is that this week is not particularly helpful for any departure from your normal routine, and that therefore all efforts should be along strictly normal lines.

AUGUST 22 TO SEPTEMBER 22

Many of you will be feeling rather regretful and disappointed as you watch the Old Year out, and the situation is not improved by the number of minor hitches which create annoyance during the first

(Continued in next column.)

PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

comes a sensation concerning a famous German. It looks as if Adolf will be on the spot at last.

In May, again, Berlin comes in for unwelcome attention from Saturn. Heavy mortality seems indicated.

CONFIGURATIONS centring on August can only mean revolutionary activities, and this conclusion is strengthened by the much freer tone in Central European charts in, and near, October.

TOWARDS September Italy and France appear likely to be getting on more friendly terms, and Hitler may well ask, "What price my Axis now?" At this time, too, the Vatican will land a heavy broadside against all war-minded dictators, and make perhaps the most significant move in the history of the Church towards international harmony.

Make no mistake about it, the present Pope will not be content with a spectator's seat, and his political energies will be increasingly evidenced in the next few years.

OTHER important factors which aid my optimism can now be summarised:

Highly significant moves for revivifying the League of Nations can be expected next month, followed by frank discussions of general conditions at mid-year. March (about 16) is the turning point here, as elsewhere. It is one of the most critical dates in modern history, and brings in a phase which has its conclusion in the early part of 1941 with the entire political outlook changed beyond recognition. From then you must reckon the old world completely gone for good and a new one in the making.

THROUGHOUT April everything will hang in the balance. At the height of the crisis a diplomatic coup by the British Prime Minister will swing the English-speaking world into an ascendancy which will be maintained for decades. America will lend ready support, and it is on this that I pin a great deal of faith. It will be a move in the interests of European peace and follows a readjustment of Government policy of a perhaps not unsensational nature.

THE great possibilities of September tempt the imagination; but it is sufficient to say that with international financial and economic conferences at work then, or near then, plus far-reaching trade treaties (one with America), and changes in both the British and German Governments likely, everything tends towards a loosening of knots. Let's hope these astrological possibilities will not be thrown away as in 1919. By October the veiled Colonial questions should be under favourable discussion.

THIS Spring is going to be tough on all parties to the struggle, and in Britain the Budget will not lighten the blows. I feel sure we shall then have to endure all kinds of attacks. But anyone capable of reading these charts now before me would be pardoned for feeling something more than optimism about the course of this war.

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day or two of this week. Quarrels interfere with your plans, and there is little chance of progress with your affairs much this side of Tuesday. You then come to a much more helpful period altogether, and you can look forward to some very welcome assistance in dealing with your problems.

SEPTEMBER 23 TO OCTOBER 22

You, too, may be feeling a trifle depressed as you face the New Year, but I can assure you that your disappointment will not last for very long. By Tuesday there is every prospect of some encouraging developments in your affairs which completely change the whole situation. I advise you to make a strenuous effort then to clear up old problems so as to prepare the way for further expansion.

OCTOBER 23 TO NOVEMBER 20

Disappointments may spoil the first half of this week for most of you, and I advise you to plan so as to be able to make your principal efforts after mid-week. New Year's Day itself is a quarrelsome type of day, and you may find other people opposed to your plans. The situation works itself up to a crisis on Thursday, and then there is a change for the better.

NOVEMBER 23 TO DECEMBER 20

Friday is undoubtedly the day to choose for any special activities this week. Before then you may have to contend with some very annoying upsets in your arrangements, and the whole of the first half of the week demands the utmost care. Friday marks the turning point in your affairs, and from then on you should be able to get things pretty much your own way. The financial prospects are well above the average on both Friday and Saturday.

DECEMBER 21 TO JANUARY 19

The only day at all likely to give you any trouble this week is Wednesday. There is some danger then

that plans will go wrong, and I think you will be well advised to defer decisions for a day or two. Otherwise, this is quite a helpful week. Select Friday for dealing with s. d.

JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 18

You are going to find this a quiet week and you may have to wait for a time before you are able to put some of your good resolutions into effect. Monday is a disappointing day, when arrangements tend to go wrong. In particular, the financial

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position is likely to give rise to some anxiety, and your efforts may be cramped owing to lack of s. d. It would be most unwise to take risks just now, and you should be content with maintaining the existing state of affairs.

FEBRUARY 19 TO MARCH 20

There is a rather discouraging tone in most of your affairs this week, and you will have to take things quietly until well into the second half. Monday and Tuesday tend to create special difficulties for many of you, and the emphasis is chiefly on home affairs. A decision appears to be called for, but wherever possible I advise you to postpone action.

TODAY'S RADIO

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342.1 METRES (877 kc/s.)

7.0 a.m.—Time; News.

7.10—Carson Records.

7.20—Jack Wilson and his Versatile Five.

7.30—Time; News.

8.15—Denise Lassmore (pianoforte).

8.25—The Children's Hour.

9.0—The Boulevard Players.

9.25—Service; Address by Rev. Jack Winslow.

10.0—Gramophone.

10.15—B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.

10.25—The Lora Quartet.

11.00—Gramophone.

12.00—Reading from "Martin Chuzzlewit."

12.20 p.m.—Darrell Burgh Hand.

1.00—Time; News.

1.10—Bernard Fort at the Organ.

1.45—The White Walker Ode.

2.15—To Four Gardens by G. H. Middleton.

2.30—Orchestral Concert.

3.00—Twelve By The Mail, a Masque for New Year's Eve.

4.00—Time; News.

4.10—Read in Man's Image, by Rev. F. A. Cockin.

4.20—B.B.C. Military Band.

4.35—"The Children's Hour."

5.00—The Tall Hill, by Christopher Fry.

6.15—Sandy Macpherson at the Organ, and 50.11 METRES (News in Welsh).

6.25—Music Plans for 1941 by Sir Adrian Boult.

6.45—An Orchestral Concert.

For Scottish Travellers Will Fly in a N.A.A.F.I. Entertainment from somewhere in France.

7.00—New Year's Eve Service; Address by the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

7.40—Week's Good Cause.

8.00—Makins' Own Music, by Mary Isherwood.

9.00—Time; News.

9.15—For And Long Bye: Scrapbook for New Year's Eve—1939-1940.

10.15—Religious.

10.30—The Theatre Orchestra.

11.00—The Face of Courage, a programme arranged by the BBC and the English Pottery.

11.45—A Watchdog Service, Address by Right Rev. Professor Archibald MacN.

RADIO-EIREANN (531m. 565kc/s.)

1.00—Gramophone.

6.30—State of the Year Not Known.

6.30—Séamus Páine: Bilingual Variety—Proclaimers.

6.45—Teacher at "Amach an Domhain" (Oua Kabruch)—Gaedhligheoir a bhí ann ar cur síos air.

7.00—Irish Radio Orchestra.

8.00—"Thanks for the Remembrance."

8.15—Question Time.

8.30—Carol Service.

9.30—Sports Survey by Z. L. Brennan.

9.30—Variety.

10.00—Fife Minute Appeal.

10.25—News.

10.30—Gaelic Sports Talk by Sean O'Ceallachain.

10.40—Kincora Cellist Band.

11.00—The Year in Review, by Desmond Ryan.

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Night Hawks Doomed!

Squad's Drive On Vice Haunts

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WORKING under the Assistant Provost Marshal, a special Vice Squad of Military Police and Yard detectives have declared war on the night hawks and blackout prowlers who are robbing the Boys of the New Brigade.

They are gunning for the sharps, sharks, touts and artful dodgers, who find ready dupes among soldiers and young officers out to squeeze the last thrill from their New Year leave.

Yesterday a member of the Squad gave me a few "don'ts" for men in uniform making whoopee in the West End.

Don't try to "find the lady." You never will.

Don't try to discover the little pea under the walnut shell. It is hidden in the long finger-mall of the trickster's index finger.

Don't accept the invitation of the elegantly dressed gentleman with the well-manicured hands to join his party for a little private "flutter."

He is a card-sharp out to fleece the unwary.

Don't leave your baggage and valuables in a safe spot indicated by your smooth-tongued guide "because the West End is such a dangerous place."

They won't be there when you come back.

Don't buy gems, rings, watches, lace or bracelets from the plausible salesman you meet in a club. Ten to one they are a fake.

Don't give your new-found friend £1 till he can change a £10 note. He never intends to change it, and you will never get your money back.

Don't go with street touts to a "little place they know."

"You would think everybody knew all

Sir P. Game (Commissioner of Metropolitan Police)

She was committed for trial yesterday on a charge of obtaining that money by false pretences.

The authoress, Anne Elizabeth de Trafford, aged fifty-two, who gave no address, pleaded guilty at Bow-st.

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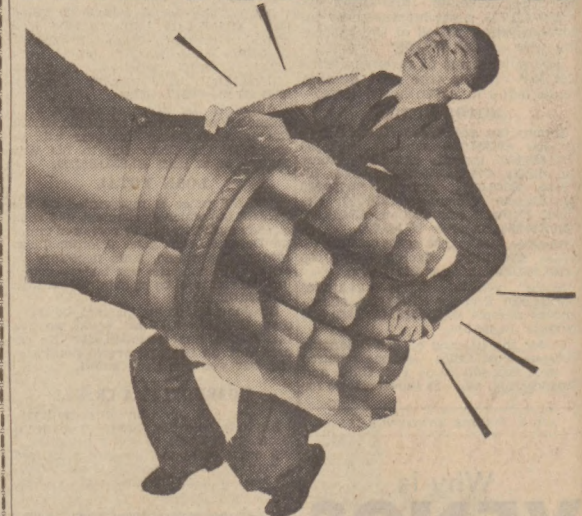
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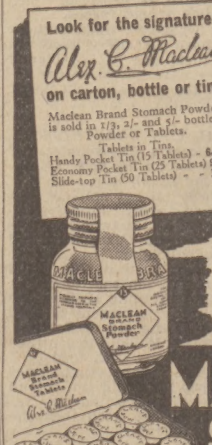
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EPICS OF CANADIAN LEGION

MAN WHO GAVE UP £2,500 A YEAR TO BE PLAIN "TOMMY"

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

"WHAT, NO MORE TRAINS TILL THE MORNING? THEN I'LL HAVE TO WALK," SAID THE BURLY GUNNER. AND HE DID, EATING UP THE TWENTY MILES BACK TO BILLETS IN SOMETHING UNDER FIVE HOURS.

For twenty miles is a mere trifle to this brawny son of Canada, who journeyed three thousand five hundred by dog team, whale boat and steamer to join up and serve the Empire.

Way up in the Frozen North he heard the call by wireless, packed his bag, made a day and night dash to the nearest recruiting station.

There you have one illustration of the Empire's eagerness to "show that fellow Hitler where he gets off."

Here are others that I learned yesterday from folk who helped to make the Canadians feel at home during the holidays.

One Canadian who has sold his Montreal home and resigned his £2,500 a year post with a bank was in the Army half an hour after mobilisation was proclaimed.

Just an ordinary sergeant, he has palled up with a burly lumberjack, and the two spent Christmas with a relative of the banker in London.

Professor "Does His Bit"

"You'd think they'd been pals all their lives instead of having met for the first time only three months ago," I was told.

His friends foretell a brilliant future for a young Montreal professor of economics. "There's no need for you to join up yet," they told him. "You're too useful to the Empire where you are."

But the professor was adamant. "I must do my bit," he said, relinquishing £3 a day wages for the 5s. 9d. paid to Canadian soldiers.

And so he is in England, training to take his place at the front with trappers, gold miners, Red Indians, lumberjacks and others who, of their own free will, are helping to make the Empire stronger.

At one club for Empire soldiers a trapper was persuaded to relate his experiences in the Arctic.

WATER DIVINER

Vera Littlewood, aged thirteen years, was evacuated from Manchester to a neighbouring village, where it was discovered that she had a gift for water-divining, and here she is practising her art with a Hawthorn wand on a Lancashire farm.



On one trip his haul of furs fetched £750. On another he was snowed up for five days and had to leave valuable pelts, the reward of two months' hard work, untended while he tramped through the blizzard to safety.

A week later the trapper set out to search for the pelts, but after days of hunting he gave them up as lost.

HEROES OF THE DEEP

Twelve months afterwards he was plodding through the snows when he sighted a tarpaulin-covered sledge. He had found his lost furs.

The good fellow may have been kidding his friends at the party. But it's a good story, anyway.

Newfoundland has added her quota to Britain's war effort. Two hundred fishermen have arrived in England already to help clear up Hitler's murder mines.

One of them is Edward Snow, 18-years-old fisherman, of Bay Robert, Conception Bay.

Older men tried to spoil his chances of enlisting by revealing Edward's youth to officials. "He's only a kid," they said.

But all the same the fisherman was one of the 625 men chosen from 5,000 volunteers.

His experience? Since he was sixteen he's been braving the surging Atlantic in all weathers in tiny fishing vessels.

After that destroying murder mines will be child's play to this adventurous youth.

With such men as these fighting for our cause Victory is assured.

10,000 BIRDS ON SHOW

On February 8, 9, and 10 a great national show of cage birds will be held at the Royal Horticultural Hall, London, S.W., in aid of the Red Cross Fund.

More than 10,000 birds will be on exhibition in the 221 classes.

The task which will confront the 26 well-known judges of awarding prizes will give some idea of the size of the show.

In the judges have volunteered their services because the effort is on behalf of charity.

PENNY A WEEK FOR RED CROSS

Wage-earners have responded enthusiastically to the penny-a-week fund appeal for the Red Cross, launched by the Lord Mayor of London.

By agreeing to the weekly deduction of a penny from their wages for the duration of the war, workers are helping to build up a regular income for the British Red Cross Society.

RADIO THANKS TO PRINCESSES

Paris, Saturday.

The little Princesses' gift of chocolates for evacuated French children has deeply touched the French people.

The gift has been received by Madame Lebrun, wife of the French President, and distributed by her to various centres.

A ceremony of thanks will be broadcast tomorrow evening from 7.20 to 7.30 from Radio Paris. Evacuated children will sing French folk songs.—Reuter.

1,370 PLANES DESTROYED

Tokyo, Saturday.

Japanese planes claim to have destroyed a total of 1,370 Soviet planes during the dispute at Nomonhan, on the Manchukuo-Outer Mongolian frontier, according to a communiqué issued by the army section of Japanese Imperial Headquarters in Tokyo today.—Reuter.

Revue des Allies

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MAC GETS ONE HOME

PASSENGERS in an Underground train were amused at the dialogue of a Cockney and a Scot among a number of B.E.F. troops, clad in full war kit who crowded their compartment.

Chirped the Cockney: Well, chum, we're home again—back to London and civilisation.

"London!" snorted the Scot. "That's just the junction where I change trains for civilisation."

War On Nation's Waste

Experts Axe Costly Rationing Plans

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

ALARMED AT ACCUSATIONS OF WASTE IN THE NATION'S EXPENDITURE, THE TREASURY IS NOW ENGAGED ON A HUGE ECONOMY OFFENSIVE.

Every item where money can be saved is being subjected to rigorous survey, and Government Departments will undergo a detailed examination to cut down unnecessary expense.

Treasury officials, for example, are believed to be behind the abandonment of rationing schemes for coal, gas and electricity.

EVACUATION MUDDLE

Large sums, these officials have pointed out, were being paid to staffs in control offices, when such expenditure was not strictly necessary.

Now the Treasury has had its way. The rationing schemes have been suspended, and costly staffs cut down to a minimum.

Other economies are likely to follow, including, it is believed, the abandonment of the rationing and control schemes.

Several big schemes, involving the evacuation of thousands of civil servants, have been criticised on the grounds of expense, and Treasury experts have pointed out that there is no need for many of these wholesale evacuations, costing thousands of pounds.

In defence of this criticism the experts declare that large sums have already been spent to provide air-raid shelters for the very civil servants it is now proposed to move.

Why, the experts ask, should public money be spent twice over? Twenty-five vigilant M.P.s, forming the Select Committee on War Expenditure, will assist in the pruning process that is now in full swing.

These M.P.s have been given drastic powers to deal with spending, and they intend to use them. The motto now being enforced on all who have the expenditure of public money is: "For every £2 that is spent we want 20s. of value."

To Fill War Chest

WORLD GIVES TO BRITAIN

TO help Britain to win the war, gifts are rolling in to the Chancellor of the Exchequer from all parts of the world. Rich and poor are contributing sums totalling many hundreds of thousands of pounds.

Forty-six people have voluntarily relinquished their Great War pensions to save the State £1,773 a year.

Old-age pensioners have given up their pension books. National savings certificates have been sent back cancelled.

German refugees have shown their generosity. Among their gifts was a cheque for £100 in gratitude for the hospitality Britain had shown to the sender's family.

The Nizam of Hyderabad has given us £100,000 to form a fighter squadron, and he will also pay for its maintenance.

BLACKBOYS' SHILLINGS

One thousand head of sheep have been sent by the people of Johannesburg, in the Cape Province of South Africa.

A Lincolnshire farmer forfeited a £6 10s. Government subsidy due to him on a purchase of lime, while Southampton Football Supporters' Club lent its £400 bank balance to the Government free of interest.

Two business men are lending the Government £200,000 for two years, interest free.

Three hundred thousand black mine-boys on the Johannesburg reef are each contributing a shilling a month "towards the cost of a new battleship."

A South African on his way home enclosed £25 as appreciation of "the protection and freedom of England's flag."

The Chancellor also received a wad of Belgian francs, "the change from a holiday."

And an ex-Serviceman wrote: "Enclosed find 15 franc notes, a souvenir of the Great War, in which I was a serving soldier. Its value is little more than a widow's mite, but it may come in handy."

In another envelope was a note asking Sir John Simon to accept an engagement ring as a "peace offering."

"I am sending you a quarter-dollar in American currency," said a further donor. "I am sure you can make use of it."

All these gifts are in addition to the huge sums collected all over the Empire for the Red Cross and various comforts funds.

Malaya alone has already contributed £120,000 for these purposes, the subscribers being British Malays, Chinese, Indians, Arabs, Ceylonese and Eurasians.

Especially generous have been the Chinese.

In Your Garden

These Seeds Make Food!

By RICHARD SUDELL, F.R.H.S.

A VISIT TO A SEED-TESTING STATION IS A REVELATION. ALL VEGETABLE SEEDS ARE TESTED BY SEEDSMEN FOR PURITY: THAT IS, FREEDOM FROM WEED SEEDS AND HUSKS AND FOR GERMINATION.

The Seeds Act (1920) provides that there shall be a minimum percentage of germination, which varies slightly according to the quality of the harvest.

Seeds are also tested in the seedsmen's own trial grounds to see if the variety is true to name.

In the laboratory the seeds are counted out in hundreds and placed on little white discs of moist blotting-paper in an incubator to force germination.

All this care is taken to ensure that the grower shall receive good quality seeds, true to name.

Just now seed catalogues are arriving, and these nearly all contain a special list of seeds, with quantities required for the average ten-rod allotment.

This will make ordering easier for the beginner and will save waste of seed. The size of a family and personal preferences will make some modification necessary and here is my advice to amateurs who are ordering seeds to grow crops for the family larder.

If the land is freshly dug and inclined

to be weedy, grow half the plot with potatoes. These are good smother crops for weeds and break up new land better than any other crop.

On the remaining half all the usual vegetables can be grown. There are a few which have special food value.

MEAT SUBSTITUTE

The Paramount sugar pea is a prolific bearer and has the advantage that the pods can be eaten as well as the seeds after the fashion of a French bean.

Broad beans are another worth-while crop. One of the best of the recent varieties is Hatfield Wonder, which I saw in the trial ground.

The stringless French bean, Golden Wonder, is another excellent food crop. Tender well-grown beans are a complete substitute for meat.

Among the peas to save the cost of pea sticks try Kelvedon Wonder. The pods are small, but they are packed tight and are very plentiful.

Among the tall varieties, Quite Content received the first-class certificate of the R.H.S. These are but a few of the good things offered by seedsmen. Get your seeds early and keep them in a cool, dry place until required for sowing.

MINISTRY'S HINT TO HOUSEWIVES

The secret of wise shopping is to make the maximum use of the foods which are in good supply.

At present, states the Ministry of Food, there are plenty of home produced and imported eggs available at reasonable prices. Home produced poultry is also still plentiful.

MR. VEREKER FOR LONDON

Oslo, Saturday.

Mr. Gordon Vereker, Counsellor of the British Embassy in Moscow and a cousin of Lord Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, has left here for London. He had been seized by the Germans while on his way home in an Estonian steamer. Mr. Vereker arrived in Oslo earlier this week after being released by the German authorities.—Reuter.

NATURE'S REMEDY FOR NERVES IS SOUND SLEEP

Medical opinion shows the way

SOUND sleep is essential if nerves are to remain steady during times of stress. Yet jaded nerves make sleep difficult, so it will pay you to take a few simple precautions. A really comfortable bed helps, so does a hot bath. Fresh air is important. But, in

addition, you need something light and, easily digestible to give your stomach something 'to work on' during the night. A nightcap of delicious Bourn-vita contains milk, eggs, malt and cocoa. It is sustaining and suitable for even the most delicate digestion.

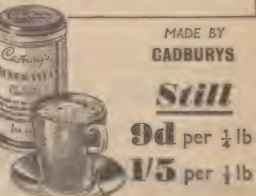
To have sound nerves—to avoid 'jumpy' and irritability in the mornings you must 'have your sleep out'. Sleep restores you—that's why Bourn-vita restores you. It's as simple as that! At all times you need it. In times like these you need it more than ever. And remember Bourn-vita is a food. Make sure you have a stock of it in the house.



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Million Cars "Laid Up"

H.P. TAX WILL CLEAR ROADS TOMORROW

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

TOMORROW, NEW YEAR'S DAY, WILL SEE AT LEAST 1,000,000 PRIVATE CARS LAID UP FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR, AND THERE WILL BE LESS TRAFFIC ON THE ROADS OF BRITAIN THAN THERE HAS BEEN FOR YEARS.

Many factors have been responsible for the decline in private motoring, but the most important is the 10s. increase in the horsepower tax. This comes into force tomorrow, and about 1,000,000 motor-car licences will not, as a result, be renewed.

Before the outbreak of war there were nearly 2,000,000 private motorists in this country, but at the end of September some 400,000 of them laid their cars up.

Since then petrol rationing and black-out difficulties have almost put an end to motoring for pleasure, while many thousands of car owners have also joined the Forces.

EXPORTS RISING

The outlook for the garage industry, which employs 150,000 men, is black, even though skilled mechanics can easily find specialist jobs in various branches of the Services.

Motor-car manufacturers, on the other hand, foresee the huge switch round from peace to war conditions, and they made their plans accordingly.

Exports of British cars are rising rapidly and brisk sales are being reported from various countries, particularly those in which there was formerly a good demand for German-made cars.

In other cases, neutral countries have been showing their sympathy for the Allied cause by placing their orders with British manufacturers.

This, in turn, assures Britain of the raw materials needed for the prosecution of the war.

Many efforts have been made to induce the Chancellor of the Exchequer to change his mind about the tax, and it was pointed out the Revenue will lose about half the £40,000,000 received annually from car taxation and petrol duty.

War Creates New British Squires

CITY MEN BUYING RURAL ESTATES

BY OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

A NEW GENERATION OF "WAR SQUIRES" IS COMING INTO EXISTENCE. LAND AND ESTATE AGENTS ARE BEING INUNDATED WITH INQUIRIES FROM WELL-TO-DO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO GET AWAY FROM THE BIG CITIES AND SETTLE DOWN IN COUNTRY MANSIONS.

Usually the buyers want, in addition to the park surrounding the mansion, two or three farms, so that the estate may extend to several hundred acres. And sometimes they ask for a village to be thrown in as well.

There are two reasons for this new tendency. First, the buyers want a home for their families away from areas which might be air-raided. Second, there are important financial considerations.

LESSON OF LAST WAR

They remember that, in the last war, landed estates and agricultural land rose to a high value as hostilities drew to their close.

They see also that agriculture is in for a period of prosperity, for by subsidies and guaranteed prices, as well as by other forms of assistance, the Government is determined to bring as much land into food production as possible. That means that rents paid by farmers will increase.

There is also a brisk demand for the smaller manor houses, country parsonages, and other village houses of character, with twenty or thirty acres of land attached.

Professional men from the towns are snapping up many of these.

TAILS UP!



R.A.F. fighter pilots in France use the tail of one of their machines as a table to study a map.

Fitter Times Ahead

RATIONING IS GOOD FOR YOU!

RATIONING, BESIDES BRINGING BRITAIN VICTORY, MAY ALSO TURN US INTO A FITTER NATION. MANY DIET EXPERTS SAY THAT THE FOOD RESTRICTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE NEW YEAR WILL NOT ONLY IMPROVE OUR HEALTH, BUT LOWER THE DEATH RATE AS WELL.

They base this claim on statistics gathered during the last war, when many countries had to do without normal supplies of food.

Denmark, for instance, had little meat, and the population lived on bread made of whole rye, wheat bran and barley, barley porridge, plenty of milk, greens and potatoes. What happened? The death rate fell by 34 per cent., there were far fewer cases of cancer and there was a noticeable improvement in the general health of the nation.

MEAT NOT VITAL

An international food commission which sat in Paris during the last war also stressed the fact that a meat diet is not essential to good health.

Meat proteins can be replaced by other proteins of animal origin, such as those contained in milk, cheese and eggs.

An officer who came into contact with many Indian soldiers also upholds this view.

Punjabis under his command lived on wheat bread, wholemeal, pulses, vegetables, milk, fruit and no meat.

Doctors were amazed at the speed with which the Indians recovered from wounds and at their resistance to infection.

Appendicitis was ten times as frequent among the meat-eating British, French and Australian troops as among the Indians.

Doctors are satisfied that Britain's rationing will be more than sufficient to keep us healthy.

GRACIE INSPIRED HIM

And Now She's Made Him Famous

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

FROM THE WINGS OF A LONDON STAGE, A SMALL CALL-BOY WITH A PASSION FOR MUSIC USED TO LISTEN TO GRACIE FIELDS AS SHE BROUGHT THE HOUSE DOWN WITH HER SONGS.

"One day," he said to himself, "Gracie will sing my songs and make them famous."

That was nearly twenty years ago. Today the dream of the call-boy has come true.

Tommie Connor is his name. He is leading the "hit" parade of "Tin-Pan-Alley."

In a B.E.F. concert a few weeks ago Gracie Fields brought tears to the eyes of thousands of wireless listeners as she sang:

"So I'm sending a letter to Santa Claus
To bring Daddy safely home to me."

Among the listeners was Tommie Connor who wrote the song.

"At that moment I realised I had scored my biggest hit," he told me.

"Gracie, who launched the song, has certainly made it famous. Copies have been selling at the rate of 20,000 a day, which, the publishers tell me, has broken the record previously held by 'Tipperary'."

"My 'Santa' number has been included in nearly every pantomime throughout the country. I hope that

some day I shall meet Gracie and have the opportunity to thank her.

"Strange to say, I have never met her. Nor have I seen her since the time I was a call-boy and used to admire her so much."

Tommie Connor, aged thirty-five, is the father of three children, the youngest of whom was born on the day war broke out.

Inspiration for the "Santa Claus" song came when he heard his seven-year-old daughter, Maureen, discuss Christmas presents with his four-year-old son, Brian.

Maureen said: "I'm going to shout up the chimney for Father Christmas to hear."

"I won't do that," said Brian. "I'm sending a letter to Santa Claus."

Their father had a ready-made line for his song. He completed the chorus in 41 minutes.

The four most popular tunes today are Tommie's. In addition to "Santa Claus," they are "The Black-out Struggle," the song which has created a new dance; "The Biggest Aspidochelone in the World," and "Till the Lights of London Shine Again."

Trance-Man Sees—

ANOTHER ATTEMPT On HITLER'S LIFE

ANOTHER ATTEMPT ON HITLER'S LIFE BY A GERMAN FLEET MUTINIES... NAZIS HAVE NEW SECRET WEAPON... ITALY DECLARES WAR ON RUSSIA... RIBBENTROP DEPOSED.

According to "Trance-Man" Tom Campbell, of Holloway, N., these will be the news-bills of the future—and Tom's predictions in the past have been uncannily accurate.

He "saw" the war, he "saw" the Munich bomb affair, and many readers have written asking for more forecasts similar to those Tom made in "The People" last month.

So here they are:— There will be another attempt on Hitler's life shortly. It may fail, but in the end the Fuehrer will meet a violent death at the hands of his present friends.

Following Britain's successful anti-U-boat campaign, unrest will spread among Nazi sailors. Many will be shot, a few may even surrender after wrecking their craft.

Germany will use a new "secret weapon" at sea which will take heavy toll of British and neutral shipping for from three to four weeks.

COUNTER STROKE

A grey-haired man will invent a successful counter-measure.

Russia will take increasing interest in the Balkans, and after warning her Italy will declare war. Germany, undecided, will just watch.

Russia will attack Sweden and Hitler will vent his wrath on Ribbentrop, using a trumped-up charge to depose him.

The "Trance-Man" sees a surprise move by America against the Nazis, following subversive activities by Nazi agents in the United States.

"It may even end in America participating in the war," says Tom, "though I am more inclined to believe that she will take economic action rather than send troops to fight in France."

The war will end shortly after the Allies have broken through the Siegfried Line at their third attempt.

"I see the Nazi defenders stunned by some mysterious weapon controlled by wireless," Tom added.

"This reverse will do much to damage the morale of the German public, who are all for 'Hitler at the moment'."

"NO CHANCE"

When Germany begins to feel the pinch of the blockade and land and air successes of the Allies, Russia's so-called alliance with her will collapse.

Germany will carry out her much derided scheme of invading England by dropping troops from aeroplanes by parachute.

This will turn out a fiasco and Goering's stock will drop. The "Trance-Man" says Goering will not die in his bed.

Penetration of the Siegfried Line by the Allies and the invasion of England will come at the same time, and now not even Nazi propaganda will persuade the German people that they have a chance of winning the war.

The "Trance-Man" gave me his version of future events with one reservation.

"Please tell people not to place too much faith on my forecasts," he said. "I merely say what I see. Time alone will reveal whether my visions are correct."

This Club Saves Dogs

NOT least among the many societies lending a helping hand to the men in the forces is Blackpool Mongrels' Club. Through their help many a soldier's doggy pal is safe for another year.

The club helps needy folk to save up for the dog licence by issuing cards with a space for each week, and twopenny stamps to fill them. Where a family is too hard up to raise all the money the club makes it up—and if the worst comes to the worst, pays for the licence altogether.

Hundreds of animal-lovers are helped in this way. Tomorrow (January 1) will lose its errors through the club, in many a household where "Daddy's dog" was in danger.

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HERE THERE AND ANY OLD WHERE

By
Cecil Hadley

**LONG ACRE SAYS—
THEY CAN'T
RATION**

Mrs. 'Ancock and Mrs. 'Igginbottom



tom, I suppose." Everything you could-a wished your Mrs. 'Ancock."

ing the best of everything
n't call her good looking, but she
one of those kind, kind of faces,
tically complete except for a piece
of one ear. Her husband is a ticket
man. "A first-class man," she greeted
before servin' "

"What did e do about it, M.
"Ancock?"

"E 'ad to ave some mince pies; th
was all I 'ad left," I said, "William, 'a
a mince pie instead." You should a-se-

My William, 'e's all right. 'E never does nothing. 'Ow could 'e with a little like 'isn? But its nice to see a party eater, don't you think, Mrs. nbottom? It makes you like to cook



Mrs. 'Igginbottom, I left the rines on it was to make a good show. He scorf that up and says, I suppose one did ought to expect too much in wartim. Too much, Mrs. 'Igginbottom, and 'ad 'is week's whack! I 'adn't the 'es to tell 'ool'veet dar, so I leave 'im.

"WHAT, NO SUGAR?"

of us, but it sooted us down to the
und." Nearly cleared it all up, I suppose.

"Can't be done, can it, Mrs. 'Ancock?"

"Yes, dear. Me 'usbin' says to me, 'Illicit, cut off all the nice bits you give yourself and 'ave plenty of breast, then pass the bird over to me.'"

"All of it?"

"Me dear. 'Tis good to see a hearty

"Can't be done, can it, Mrs. 'Ancock?"

"I explained it to 'im that we ought to get half a bacon a week between the two of us and 'e says: 'Well, if y ain't fancying your own whack I'll a it.' You've had mine already, I

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the way to work and get a meal.'
very tryin' Mrs. Tgginbottom, with
'earty eater like that, especially wh
you know you're done all you can
Wish my Enery wasn't such a fusser.

"Then I gives 'im the Christmas
puddin and 'e knocks that back and 'e
says, 'That's good, Millicent. We'll 'ave
another Christmas puddin just to fill up
your 'usbins'."
"Very tryin', Mrs. 'Ancock."
"Especially with a 'earty eater, M
Igginbottom."

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Arthur Goundrill, the one-armed
iards player, brought his short season
a close at Taunston's yesterday in
scratch billiards match. Miss Joyce Jard
beat Goundrill by 150-70. She was be-
in turn by Walter Donaldson who
ceded her 50, by 100-83.
At snooker, Donaldson, conceding 40, n-
both Miss Gardner and Goundrill at 74-
and 81-77 on the black respectively.

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150,000 FRESH TROOPS MASS WITH SKIS

RED LOSSES BELIEVED TO BE 100,000

FRESH SOVIET TROOPS, BELIEVED TO BE DRAWN FROM THE CRACK MOSCOW GARRISON, WERE THROWN INTO THE ATTACK AGAINST THE MANNERHEIM LINE IN A SNOWSTORM YESTERDAY.

It was the twenty-fifth day of the battle of machine against man, the "Battle of the Mannerheim Line."

A supreme effort to break the line is believed to be imminent.

The "Berlingske Tidende," quoted by the B.U.P. Copenhagen correspondent, states that the Red reinforcements consist of 150,000 troops, all trained in the use of skis.

These troops are said to be composed partly of Siberian divisions and partly of Caucasian divisions. Some are said to have taken part in the Russo-Japanese battles on the Manchurian frontier.

FIGHT ON RED TERRITORY

Meanwhile, the Finns are themselves attacking with such success in the district north of Lake Ladoga that the Reds have been forced to retreat and fighting is now raging on Soviet territory.

Farther south, the Russians are being held on a 55-mile front.

Today marked the end of the first month of this war in which neutral military observers estimate that the Russians have lost at least 100,000 men dead and wounded or incapacitated by frozen limbs (writes Webb Miller, B.U.P. Special correspondent, from Helsinki).

These observers estimate that the Russians have lost more than 300 tanks, and 250 aeroplanes without achieving important military successes.

Despite domination of the air by sheer superiority of numbers of planes, the Russians have failed to interfere with the Finnish prosecution of hostilities. This may be attributed to the poor maps, inaccurate bombing and poor bombs. Tanks have also been of little value to the Russians.

RUSSIANS BOMB HOSPITAL

About 50 bombs were dropped by Soviet aeroplanes yesterday on Hangö, the Finnish port which the Russians want as a naval base. A big hospital was partly destroyed. Ten people were injured. Two more Soviet planes have been shot down.

Last night, the official Finnish communiqué reported the repulse of Red troops who tried to cross Lake Suvanto, in the centre of the Karelian Isthmus. The Russians were also pushed back across the frontier at Kuhmo, about 50 miles east of Kalamäki.

Nearly 10,000 Russians in the Salla sector, in North Central Finland, are in danger of being cut off by the bold advances of Finnish guerrillas on skis, says the "Berlingske Tidende."

The newspaper says that the Finns are far across the Soviet border, possibly

CHINS UP TO 1940



MINE THREAT TO HELIGOLAND

Paris, Saturday.

THE Heligoland Islands could this winter be made useless by British mines, according to M. Tabouis, in the "Oeuvre" today.

The German Admiralty are reported to have discussed the matter this week, she says.

Attention was also given to the possibility of Britain using the islands as a British naval and air base.

"The Reich Admiralty bases its presentiments on the placing of mines by the British," she says.

German officers of the North Sea Command believe that the Allies may bar Germany access to the North Sea by minefields.

German officers declare that the German fleet would never be able to render a British minefield there innocuous."—Reuter.

EXPLOSIONS MYSTIFY TOWN

Yeovil, Somerset, Saturday.

Corporation officials here were still mystified today by four big explosions which last night blew out manhole covers and forced heavy flagstones into the air for a distance of 150 yards in Park-st., one of the most populated areas of the town.

The four explosions were followed by a series of smaller ones, which forced fumes up through sewer covers.

The fire brigade dealt with the smoke and fumes.

Even when it's
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Gough Declares—
'RED THREAT' TO INDIA A FARCE

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

"GERMANY HAS BEEN TRYING TO FRIGHTEN US OUT OF A WAR WITH THE SOVIET BY SUGGESTING THE THREAT OF A RUSSIAN INVASION OF IRAQ AND THEN INDIA. SUCH A THREAT IS LAUGHABLE, AND IT SHOULD NOT SUCCEED IN FRIGHTENING A CHILD."

This declaration is made by General Sir Hubert Gough, Commander of the Fifth Army in the last war, in an article in "The English-Speaking World."

"It is a very bold military conception," he says, "to move an army over hundreds of miles of desert and through hundreds of miles of barren rocky mountains to meet an English trained Army at the end of it, not to mention the Turkish, French and British Forces which would be operating on its flank and rear."

FEET OF CLAY

"Russia is quite incapable of organising and leading such an invasion for the next five or even ten years. She is a colossus with feet of clay."

Russia, declares Sir Hubert, could do very little against us. A small squadron sent to the Arctic seas would crush the Russian armies there, and we could also blockade Murmansk, thus closing a port of refuge for German raiders as well as striking a blow at Russia herself.

Sir Hubert points out the possibilities of a Russo-German attack on Rumania and a German invasion of Denmark, Norway and Sweden, with the aim of checking Russia's advance westwards, and stresses "the vital importance of rousing a great crusade, a war of liberation, in which all the neutrals of Europe must take part."

"As the time approaches," he says, "we must promise support to the small nations in the struggle against totalitarianism."

"Every day it is becoming more probable that before the war ends all Europe will be in arms."

FIRST LORD AT WEYMOUTH

SEES CONTRABAND BASE

Mr. Winston Churchill yesterday paid his first visit since the war to Weymouth, the contraband control base. He saw ships of neutral countries in the bay awaiting examination by the contraband control service. He also visited a number of naval establishments.

AND A SALAD NEW YEAR!

Berlin, Saturday.
Nazi housewives were given some useful hints today by the German official radio announcer for their New Year's Eve dinner, says Reuter.

For the main course, vegetable salads, such as potato salad garnished with beetroot or carrots, were recommended. An alternative was sauerkraut with carrots and horseradish.

£600,000,000 FOR FRENCH AIR FORCE

Paris, Saturday.

French war estimates for 1940 include 105,000,000,000 francs for the Air Force—nearly 2500,000,000.

TRIBUTE TO R.A.F. MASTERY OF THE AIR

Somewhere in France, Saturday.

TRIBUTE TO Britain's air supremacy on the Western and home fronts is paid by General Vuillemin, Commander-in-Chief of the French Air Force, in extending New Year greetings to the R.A.F.

"From the entire French Air Force, I send our best wishes to our comrades of the Royal Air Force and to their families on the occasion of the New Year," he says.

"The audacity and mastery of the air which they constantly display at the expense of the enemy makes them worthy inheritors of the noblest traditions of British heroism."

"Thanks to their courage and to the brotherly confidence which unites our two forces I like you (Sir Cyril Newall, Chief of the Air Staff), am very sure that we can look to the future with confidence that our just cause will triumph."

General Vuillemin received Christmas and New Year greetings from the R.A.F. He is regarded by Service chiefs here and in England as a very shrewd colleague.

The R.A.F. Expeditionary Force on the Western Front is now tasting bitter winter weather.

Constant day and night guard is being maintained at machine-gun and other anti-aircraft posts to guard against surprise attack should this Western Front "war without weapons" suddenly change its character. The men manning these posts, as on sentry duty, have the coldest job in France.—Reuter.

Aussies Meet New Commander

TALL, BRONZED AND ALERT, NEARLY 200 AUSTRALIAN AIRMEN PARADED AT A WEST COAST PORT YESTERDAY, BEFORE THEIR NEW COMMANDER, AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR FREDERICK W. BOWHILL, C.-IN-C. OF THE COASTAL COMMAND.

They made an impressive picture, standing rigidly to attention four deep, in their dark blue uniforms with polished buttons.

After he had carried out a detailed inspection, the Air-Chief Marshal said:

Cold Spell Hits Europe
27 DEGREES OF FROST ON THE WESTERN FRONT

A WAVE OF SEVERE ARCTIC WEATHER, THE COLDEST EXPERIENCED FOR MANY YEARS IN SOME AREAS, IS SWEEPING ACROSS EUROPE.

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HITLER WARNS GERMANY

"In eighteen days weapons decided. The Poland of the Versailles diktat no longer exists."

Hitler makes a bitter attack on Jews, declaring:

"One thing we must all recognise is that the Jewish-capitalist enemy who faces us knows only one aim, namely, to destroy the German people. Their war aim is no longer the re-establishment of Poland, but the removal of myself and the destruction of National Socialism."

"THEY SHALL HAVE WAR"

"The German people did not want this fight. Up to the last minute I tried to offer England our friendship. And, after Poland's elimination, I was willing to make proposals that would have secured peace in Europe for a long time."

"In that I was supported by the Duce, but the Jewish-capitalist warmongers were unwilling to cancel their plans for the destruction of Germany."

"These warmongers want war. They shall have it. May 1940 bring the decision. Come what may it will be our victory."

CAT OUT OF THE BAG

"1939 was marked in German history by tremendous occurrences."

"First there was the incorporation of the age-old German territories of Bohemia and Moravia into the Reich, securing German lebensraum. Germans and Czechs, as in the past hundred years, will in future live and work peacefully together."

"Secondly Memel returned to the Reich. Thirdly, through the destruction of the Polish State the old frontiers of the Reich were re-established."

"The year's fourth contribution is the non-aggression and consultative pact with Soviet Russia."

"Economically and militarily we are prepared to enter this most decisive year in German history."

HERE'S TO MORE SCUTTILING!

Admiral Raeder (Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy) says:

"The German Navy has shown that she is able to locate and strike the enemy. In the coming year the Navy will do its duty loyal to her great tradition in unshakable obedience to the leader and in belief in victory."

GOERING GUSHES

Field-Marshal Goering (Commander-in-Chief of the German Air Force) says:

"In during long-distance flights over enemy country, in powerful attacks against the British Navy, in victorious battles while defending the German air space, our air force showed the claws of the German eagle to the enemy. The eagle will swoop and strike when the Führer gives the order."

Huge and heavy tasks lie before us. New sacrifices are unavoidable, but we will not shrink from them."

(Reuter and B.U.P. messages.)

100 NEW FACTORIES

By Our Industrial Correspondent

PLANS for the erection of a hundred new factories in Britain have been passed during the last few weeks.

Work on some of them has begun. On others it will start almost immediately. They are, in addition to a number of large aircraft, ordnance and munition factories that are being erected under the orders of the Government.

Though several of them will be engaged on various types of Government work, many are for ordinary civilian requirements.

They are spread over all parts of the country, and the former special areas are getting their share.

New factories in the London district include several for light engineering, instrument making, electrical engineering and clothing manufacture.

"What I have seen gives me the greatest satisfaction. Not only am I proud to have you in my command, but I am proud you are here to help us in our great task in the defence of this great Empire and its trade."

The Australian airmen will fly the famous "Sunderland" flying boats. Their duties will include anti-submarine work and general sea reconnaissance.

In the new base they join two R.A.F. squadrons who have already distinguished themselves, one of their exploits being the daring Kensington Court rescue, for which a number of their members were awarded decorations.

Their chief complaint so far is the "black-out." "We can't get used to it at all," said a bright-eyed aircraftman. Though they also groused about the cold weather, the airmen all agree about the warmth of the reception they have received in England.

Reuter and B.U.P. correspondents in messages yesterday told how—

IN FRANCE the temperature on the Western Front has dropped to 5 degrees Fahr.—27 degrees below freezing point, but patrols were busy in No-Man's-Land and there was intense air activity.

IN RUMANIA, ice has stopped all navigation on the Danube, holding up many German ships carrying food and oil to the Nazis. Three feet of snow has fallen in some places.

IN ITALY, Rome had its heaviest snowfall for 10 years; in Venice the lagoons are covered with ice; there was 19 degrees of frost.

IN TURKEY, refugees of the earthquake disaster are dying from exposure to the cold.

IN FINLAND, fighting went on in a snowstorm.

IN BRITAIN, the weather is officially non-existent. All news of it is banned by Censor.

Navy's Prize

ANOTHER SHIP CAPTURED

THE 8,558-ton German steamer Bahia Blanca, which sailed from Rio de Janeiro a week ago with a cargo of coffee and minerals for Germany, has been captured by a British warship, according to reports received in Rio.

So far no news that the ship has been captured has been received in London.

Another German ship, the 8,268-ton freighter Tschudi, has been given 24 hours by the Uruguayan Government to leave Montevideo. If she does not sail in that time she will be interned (the Exchange).

To add to this tale of gloom for the Nazis came the news yesterday that a French warship has sunk a German submarine off the coast of Spain.

HOHENZOLLERN "GAMBLE" BY GOERING

"HERMAN GOERING is gambling high; his highest card is the Hohenzollern card," declared the Free German Radio, in a broadcast last night, quoted by Reuter.

Goering, declared the announcer, was prepared to offer the Western Powers a Hohenzollern Prince as "puppet ruler of Germany."

Convinced of the failure of an expected large-scale Nazi offensive in the spring, Goering "is possessed with the idea of having ready all the threads for the moment when he can become Hitler's successor—the new grand man of Germany."

The Nazi Party would then be "driven back." Bohemia and Moravia would be granted certain concessions and Germany's relations with Russia would be curtailed. Goering's agents and go-betweens were at work in all countries, it was stated.

Meanwhile Himmler is collecting evidence against Goering, "the broadcast ended," but hesitates to strike the blow against the man who is, after all, his immediate chief.

PREMIER'S BROADCAST

Mr. Neville Chamberlain is to broadcast on January 9, from the Mansion House, on "The Progress and Prospects of the War." The speech will be transmitted overseas and recorded for subsequent transmissions.

STOP PRESS

DECEMBER 31, 1939

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BRISTOL DISTRICT REGISTRY OF THE HIGH COURT

To VICTOR GEORGE STAINER, late of Pembroke

TAKES NOTICE that a Petition for Divorce

by FREDERICK LEONARD SMITH, of 57, Rose

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at the Bristol District Registry of the High Court

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THE PRINCIPAL REGISTRY.

To SUSANAH DEY late of Ovingdean, Kentish

TAKES NOTICE that a Petition for Divorce

by WILLIAM HENRY DEY, of 10, St. John's

Harting, in the County of London, has been filed

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